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On January 31, **Phil Backup** hit one of his lowslung drives straight and true on the No. 9 hole at the Greens of Redmond (Ore.), a short par 3 of about 110 yards. It's a flat hole, and Phil and his two playing partners watched the ball roll gently across the green and disappear into the cup. His first ace in 98 years! After Phil's ace, he and his partners went back to No. 5, where his wife, Ruth, and friends were playing golf, so he could tell her about the feat. He says, "I don't think she really believed me, but she gave me a nice hug." Then it was back to the clubhouse for drinks.

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Kathy Marchant sent the sad news that her mother, **Betty Broadbent Brown**, died on January 1. She says her mother wrote the opener of her obituary last year when she said, "Be sure to mention that I was curious." To the end she was curious about people she met and their interests as well as subjects she studied or read about: a tomb in Egypt, drones, or Robert Frost. She made the most of her 10 decades of life. She was born on May 14, 1923, in Maplewood, N.J., to Wallace Monroe Broadbent and Maud Gardiner Broadbent, two educators. After Middlebury, she worked briefly in New York City for Guaranty Trust Co. and a local newspaper in Maplewood, N.J. In 1948 she married Charles Brown after his return from WWII and graduation from Princeton Univ. They raised four children in Strafford, Pa., and Des Peres, Mo. In retirement they lived in Villanova and later Hershey's Mill in West Chester, Pa. For many years they were members of the Wayne Presbyterian Church and St. David's Golf Club. Betty valued her time at Middlebury and while there studied literature. She was a member of the Tri Delta sorority and wrote for/helped edit a campus publication. Amazingly she kept a yearly journal beginning in her freshman year, 1940, and maintained that practice up until 2019. She saved a few printed items from her four years of study, including course notes, one salient memory being hearing a talk given by Robert Frost. Over the years she kept in touch with several classmates and helped organize their 60th Reunion. Her son-in-law and granddaughter graduated from the Bread Loaf School of English in 2004 as the first parent-child duo. Undaunted by age, in her mid-80s she soared over part of West Chester County, Pa., in a hot air balloon, flew over the Chicago area in a private airplane, and posed with a million dollars at the Federal Reserve Bank in Chicago. She will be greatly missed.

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REUNION CLASS There were 240 men and women who entered Middlebury in September 1941. There are 60 of us still on the College rolls. Amazing!! Our 75th Reunion would have happened this June. As for me, I am stepping down as the class correspondent. Thank you to all who have sent in your news over the years. If you would like to submit news in the future, you can send it to Sara Marshall, Alumni Editor, 152 College Street, Middlebury Magazine, Middlebury, Vt., or by email to smarshal@middlebury.edu. **Mew**.

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Jeanne "Pic" Picard Johnson sent a welcome note saying that she was looking forward to seeing her recently married grandson and his wife for Thanksgiving. Also, that she was okay after a hernia operation. She has talked with **Betsy "Barc" Barclay Wales**, who "sounded her usual self." I, **Cam**, will translate that as upbeat. Then Pic asked if I thought we would last for our 75th? What a question to ask me, as I was just home from a week in the hospital due to pneumonia. It was getting monotonous even with the visiting nurses, etc., who were in and out, and five wonderful children who waited on me constantly. Thank goodness for crossword puzzles, Jeopardy, and Rachel Maddow. Books, too. • **Barbara "Flinkie" Flink Ewels** writes that she is thrilled to have a scooter to drive to go for meals and PT because it's a long walk. Flinkie talks with **Jean Schwab Schork** every week and often tells me about Jean's busy life. • We regret to report the death of **Kay Craven** on October 7. Kay grew up in Williamstown, Mass., and after graduating from Middlebury, worked at the John Hancock Insurance Co. until her retirement. She then moved to Cape Cod to a home built for her with space for her grand piano. Kay was a concert pianist (!) and active bridge player. • We are also sorry to report the death of **Gertrude "Trudy" Hayward Schmitt** on November 6. She grew up in Willsboro, N.Y., graduated from Willsboro High School, and was a Spanish major at Middlebury. Trudy belonged to the Red Hat Society, was an avid golfer, and enjoyed theater. We send our condolences to her three children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. • We also regretfully must report the death of **Barbara "Penny" Snow Cassedy** on November 15 in Oakwood, Ohio, where she recently moved to be near her daughter. Penny grew up in Bethesda, Md., and after graduating from Middlebury and receiving MAs from Midd and the Univ. of Maryland, taught French, Spanish, and English around the world. We send sympathy to her daughters, Karen and Laura. • **Betty Jane Whitcomb Bunker**'s daughter, Robin Timmins '73, reports that her mother is living in the Skilled Care Center at Wellspring, a retirement community in Greensboro, N.C. Betty is looking forward to the birth of her fifth great-granddaughter. • About that 75th Reunion—maybe it's time to prepare for that big milestone in 2021. Sit-ups and push-ups anyone?

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Last quarter it took me eight rings of the phone to cross the room to my telephone. I thought that would give others time to answer. I was concerned that I did not get more answers to my calls. This quarter I let the phone ring 12 times, figuring that people could arrive at their phones by that point. I immediately had an answer to my problem. Call after call ended with the same message, given by some robot or artificial operator: "The number you are calling has been discontinued." So I beg you, fellow classmates, to send me either your cell number or new phone number, or your current email address so that we can keep in touch. • Early in November, I received an email from Carl Needy. He is the widower of **Elizabeth Macgill Needy**, who died in 1981. He wrote to say how much he enjoys reading the Class of '47 news, as he recognizes most of the names and they bring back such pleasant memories. Carl has two daughters and one granddaughter, all of whom are Midd grads. • **Jinny Stowell James**, daughter Hillery, and her son-in-law had a very busy 2019, celebrating many birthdays and anniversaries, and visiting people in their new Florida house. Before leaving for Maine, where they would spend the summer, they spent three days at Disney's Animal Kingdom in Florida. The wildlife there is not caged, but allowed to range free. They were thrilled to see the animals and some African art. Jinny said that their Florida house is very comfortable and serves them well, but she enjoys spending the four months of summer in Maine. Her friend Judy, who serves as chauffeur and helper, accompanies her. Daughter Hillery and husband stay mostly in the nearby cottage. It seems as if they were even busier in Maine last summer than in Florida, as they saw many good friends and took some interesting tours. Jinny and Judy flew back to Florida for catch-up meetings and appointments at the end of September. • **Jean Mace Burnell** and I had a nice long talk on the

telephone. She has moved out of her house into an extended one-room apartment. The only drawback is the lack of closet space, but that seems to be true of every residence, regardless of size. Jean takes her dinner at the facility, but prepares the other meals in her own space. She has a problem breathing and sometimes requires oxygen. She is also bothered by nerve damage in the upper body and right side, a remnant of her bout with shingles. It is extremely painful and itchy. Her older son lives nearby and manages her affairs. She has seven grandchildren. One of her grandsons is a doctor and has just started his practice. She said that the weather in Seattle was gray that winter day and was running about 50 degrees Fahrenheit. When I told her that ours was gray and running about 40 degrees Fahrenheit, she said that people where she lives would consider that "freezing cold." I replied to her that people here would consider 40 degrees quite warm for the season. • **Tiffany Clark Nourse** and I feel very blessed. She spent Christmas at her son's house, where there were 14 around the table. My two stepfamilies came to spend several days with me, and we too numbered 14 around the table. The older you get, the nicer it is to have families present. • While claiming no exciting news, **Alice Neef Perine** is enjoying her family, friends, and the town of Middlebury. Both she and Tiffany wrote that the town will be in turmoil for the next two years due to planned changes in the infrastructure and construction. Alice's granddaughter, Kate Perine Livesay '03, continues to excel as a lacrosse coach and has received many honors. Alice is justifiably proud of her. • We, as the Class of '47, also have reason to be proud. **Alice Perine** and **Phil Briggs** continue to serve loyally with excellent results as our class fundraisers. Their letters have a personal touch that makes you think beyond the request for money. So thank you, Alice and Phil. Keep up the good work!

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I hope everyone is enjoying good spring weather. Please send me news about how you are doing during these strange times.

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Correspondent **Dixon Hemphill** reports: I'm sorry to report that two of our classmates died late in 2019. **Edward Hutchinson** died October 29 and **Felix Rohatyn** passed away on December 14. My sincere condolences go to their families. • As one of the eight inductees into the Middlebury Athletics Hall of Fame, I was greatly honored to be selected to the 2019 group. The long weekend of November 1–3 was one I will never forget. My wife, June, and I flew from Dulles Airport to Burlington, Vt., and were met there by the Middlebury Transit Service, which drove us directly to the Middlebury Inn where we spent the next two nights. While June and I sat in the Inn's lounge on Friday afternoon, members of our family began to arrive by car. Seven family members came in three cars from Northern Virginia just in time for dinner at one of Middlebury's best restaurants. The next morning June and I attended a panel discussion chaired by President Patton. Three of us inductees gave our impressions of what life was like at Midd back in our day and how our time at school influenced our later lives. That afternoon we all attended a football game against Hamilton, which Middlebury won. They had a very good record this past fall. During the timeout between halves, we eight inductees went out on the field to be recognized by the crowd. Later that afternoon there was a photo shoot in the hall of the Virtue Field House; pictures were taken of us eight as well as of our families. Next came the big event—dinner and the awards. All eight of us described our athletic achievements both at Midd and afterwards. Each of us was introduced by someone who knew of our athletic achievements; in my case it was the track and field coach Martin Beatty '84. Among other things he mentioned was my having set the College's pole vault record while using a bamboo pole. The dinner was delicious as are all of the meals the school prepares for events like this one. Before the evening ended, desserts and drinks were served capping the end of a perfect day! Sunday morning we enjoyed a breakfast at the Middlebury Inn before we who had been honored, our families, and friends departed for our homes. For June and me it was another ride to Burlington by the transit limousine, and soon after, the flight back to Dulles, where our son picked us up and took us home. Sometimes during a busy weekend there is a glitch or two but ours was close to 100 percent—everything was perfect and for this all those at the College who made this happen should feel very proud to have conducted such a momentous event. • Correspondent **Rachel Adkins Platt** reports: I received a long newsy Christmas card from **Rachel Stryker Smith**. All's well in their new home in a retirement community. They are still doing a lot of travel both overseas and stateside. In fact they had been somewhere each month of 2019. Quite a record. Two trips overseas, one of which was an annual ski trip to Casta in Cortina, Italy, with two of their children. Rachel skied one day with them. She says the weather was not very good but the Christmas shopping was great. In October they took a cruise on Portugal's Douro River. They started in Lisbon and the apex of the cruise was a visit to a vineyard, where Rachel helped harvest grapes and stamped on them to make juice. Stateside, they took a trip in late March to visit son Gerald and wife June and also went to a Road Scholar week in Montreat, N.C. In May they went to Dwight's Yale mini-reunion and in June to our 70th Reunion. Later that month they took a short trip to Mohonk and to Rehoboth Beach. In August they were off to Chautauqua in western New York, a fascinating place with lots of interesting lectures and tours. Then off to California mid-November, where Dwight attended the annual meeting of the American Society of Criminology. He's doing some writing and was interested in their comings and goings. They also visited Rachel's two siblings, who are 98 and 100. Whew. You two certainly traveled a lot. Glad to hear of your active lifestyle. • Sad news. **Anne Teague Chadwick** died on August 23 and **Joan Lochlin Cowan** passed away on September 23. Our deepest sympathy to their families.

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Congratulations to **Elizabeth Nelson**, who was awarded the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award by Marquis Who's Who. Her bio states, "Dr. Nelson is the founder and chairman of the Archive of Market and Social Research in 2019. Founded in 2013, the volunteer charity is building a record of market and social research across the United Kingdom with an objective of collecting research-based material that is then made available to those seeking to explore the evolution of people's behaviors, attitudes, and lives." She earned a Doctor of Philosophy from the Univ. of London and is "a well-known expert in observing the behavior of human beings and measuring attitudes of the population." • I collected the following notes for a January 10 deadline so they come from before the stay-at-home orders. • **Joan Macklaier Birkett** had a great time with her daughter Elisa, who was visiting from Bavaria. Elisa and her husband are both performing musicians there. They had a special three weeks of sharing in Joan's home in Invermere, British Columbia, with new adventures every day. Joan's daughter Jennifer also visited her, worked in her garden, and prepared tasty meals. Joan and Jennifer visited Joan's brother in Montreal. Joan also enjoys writing poetry and memoirs when time permits and she enjoys seeing the deer and wild turkeys wandering around. She admitted that she is aging and getting slower! (Aren't we all?) But she's happy she can still manage at home alone. She is exploring retirement homes but most are filled. • **Roly Coates** wrote before Christmas that they had already had a 36-inch snowfall in New Hampshire, so he was looking forward to his trip to the Caribbean. He also enclosed another poem he had written, "The Falling Snow." Are you going to publish a book of poetry soon,

Roly? I hope so. Joan could help out, and maybe other classmates would contribute. Poetry of Midd '51? • **Cristina Schweiker Herrlich** continues her every-other-day swims and also performs her usual volunteer jobs, which she has been doing for more than 38 years. She also finds time for social outings with friends and always has her usual flower and vegetable gardens. Her last crop produced record-breaking Brussels sprouts! Her children are doing well and she sees them about once a month, either in Boston or at her home in Essex Junction, Vt. • In New Jersey, **Anne Moreau Thomas** is happy that she can still live in the same house she has lived in for many years. It's across the street from the house she grew up in. She admits that her exercise consists of walking to downtown Flemington, and maybe "picking up an ice cream cone or Popsicle." Her daughter and sons live not far away and take good care of her (and the old house). • **Pat Ray Christiansen** had a bad spell for a few months due to an allergic reaction to an antibiotic but is doing well now. • I am sad to report the death of Dr. **Paul Cochrane** on Christmas Day. Paul had a remarkable career as a family physician in Fitchburg, Mass., for almost 50 years. Condolences have been sent to his wife, Judy, and their son and two daughters. Also, sadly, **Chester Nightingale** died on November 20. Condolences go to his wife of 63 years, Peggy, and five children. • I love hearing from you, so hope you enjoy reading about classmates of 70 years ago! Don't forget, we have a big Reunion in 2021! And this job is still available for anyone who would like to take over! Best wishes to all, **Lee**

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After many attempts to reach her, **Marie Cavanaugh Frink**, to my great relief, picked up the phone when I called her just after the holidays. She is now a resident at McLean, a renowned facility in her hometown of Simsbury, Conn. Her daughter, Amy, had been in touch with me in the fall to report that Marie had suffered an aneurysm that resulted in a partial stroke and the prognosis was uncertain. In her usual indomitable way, Marie had felt the onset while working in her garden, made it to her house, called 911, and got emergency care for herself. Given the initial damages, her recovery has been remarkable, but after all, Marie was never easily defeated by anything! So it was a joy to hear her voice and her immediate recognition of mine on the phone. • I also found reassurance and inspiration in a recent note from **Joyce Rohr** in Boulder, Colo., and after we shared our personal dismay about the state of our nation, she lifted my spirits with her antidote to our shared political angst. I quote her: "As for me? I just have to head off to my music to try to maintain some sense of sanity, like, uh, JS Bach. Wow. Just trying to play his cello partitas (arranged for guitar, of course) has been miraculous for me—that is ME, the smarty pants who has been immersed in music my whole life, and I now find out I know nothing—nothing really! Bach is teaching me everything and the Third Cello Sonata is one way Bach escorts me directly from my brain to my heart. I am so lucky to have this happen to and for me. Even singing so many of his choral works and analyzing so many of his sonatas and partitas for various music magazines didn't prepare me to seeing this side of his persona." • Finally, I had the peculiar honor of having a fellow photojournalist, Ken Jarecke, interview me for his "Talking Pictures" site on YouTube recently. If interested you will find it as segment 21 on his site. I found it strange to look at myself on my computer after the fact.

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Correspondent **Julie Howard Parker** reports: Here is more news from the postcard campaign I did last year! • **Joan Cramp Mason** wrote, "Talking to **Julie** and **Peter Parker** by phone was exhilarating; not only did we catch up on our present circumstances but the call brought back our years at Midd. During junior year in Battell, Peter's sister, Adele Parker Rodbell '55, was a close friend. Peter and I were both philosophy majors, a very small group. Peter was pleased with his choice as it helped him see a bigger, wider picture of things. But I was so awestruck by Professor Tillinghast's Intellectual History course that I would have walked barefoot over hot coals to have become a history major. My husband, Robert Krotkov, our four young children, and I moved to Amherst, Mass., 53 years ago, where he was a professor in physics and astronomy at the Univ. of Massachusetts. When I was 52 and my kids were in college, I went to Smith College School of Social Work—a blast—then worked as a psychiatric social worker in Connecticut prisons. It was a meaningful, satisfying, and rewarding job. And now I am 86 and grateful for those days at Middlebury!" • **Clarence Strowbridge** wrote, "I remember you, Julie (and Peter too), from Dike Blair's Vermont Bookshop." (Clarence and I both had jobs at that bookshop senior year.) "And French class. Dike helped me get my job with Dover Publications, where I spent almost 50 years, ending up as president. Great experience. My French has gone by the wayside, but I'm still active with Spanish conversation groups and book discussion groups every week." He was hoping to go to Barcelona and Rome. • **Jim Hunt** said, "Kudos for taking time to communicate with 100+ alums! Cynthia died in 2017 after 62 years of marriage. Instead of reuning at Midd without her, I enjoyed that time at our lake cottage in Greensboro, Vt. I have been a constant alumni giver, doing my part, which is not so surprising because in my senior year Midd wrote me a small check as scholarships and board/room from waiting on tables more than defrayed the $1,200 comprehensive fee. I lead a simple life in Concord, N.H., continuing to do some business around the country with a life insurance service I've continued well into retirement. My dinner companion is the daily puzzle in the *New York Times*, which I've been doing so long I'm pretty good at it." • Wife Judy wrote in for husband **Tom Beers**: "We were on a Tom's-knee-replacement marathon last year—successful surgery until he fell and ruptured the patella tendons, then a series of surgeries to correct, and on and on! We are hoping all will be well soon so we can travel, especially in June when our grandson graduates from Rice." • **Joanne VerBryck Kissinger** was laid low with painful back problems which made our 65th out of the question. From Indiana, she wrote, "Paul and I traveled extensively until he died in 2002. I feel satisfied with travel overseas and now continue to prefer friends and family over places. I've always loved our summer music and summer plays at DePauw Univ. and in Indy—music is my thing. In my retirement community I've acquired a unique and naughty cat, Lucky Eddie II, and continue living with my 12-year-old terrier, Petey. He's my great companion, and when I'm able I walk him in the morning. A big part of my weekly schedule is the small Episcopalian church I joined; the priest is really outstanding. My condo has a western view of some spectacular sunsets from a screened-in porch, and I enjoy DPU baseball games. My condo is small, but just right for this ancient one, surrounded by friends and visits from daughter Lisa '82 from California, and once a year from son Scott '80, who lives in Singapore." • **Lannie Osborn Gartner** lost Rod, her husband, in the summer of 2018 and described a beautiful memorial service in Westminster Presbyterian Church for "a great guy and husband." She adds, "Living in Masonic Village Sewickley (Pa.) has been a saving grace and blessing for me and my family. We have many activities and I join friends for meals. Life for me is different now. I am grateful to be here as I go through the aging process. My PEO connections are wonderful. I am in a book group and a Knitting for Mission group at church. I also enjoy attending many activities here and the easy transportation to events around Pittsburgh." • **Delinda McCormick Mix** started her newsy letter by expressing disappointment that Middlebury's administration, after all the publicity about not letting an invited speaker speak, which was reported constantly in her local paper and the *Wall Street Journal*, did not expel the students involved. (My own feelings were disappointment at how quickly the whole matter was settled/hushed up so that it was never clear who the

troublemakers were—Midd students or outsiders—and who received punishment.) Delinda continues, "I never thought of Middlebury as an 'elite' college; it was *my* college. I realize I have been fortunate: wonderful parents, two good schools, marrying the love of my life, and three great and interesting children, who married wonderful partners and produced a total of nine grandchildren. What more can one ask? Well, I wish Joe '53 hadn't died last year. But after 63 years together, I am learning to live by myself again, lucky to have our second son and family here in Beaufort nearby." Delinda was philosophical, reflecting on how time is a funny thing, explaining she now knows a lot more, is more careful what words she uses (corrected by a daughter for using the term Orientals instead of Asians), and has a lot more interests: the South, the church, bell ringing, the local symphony, chamber music, opera, and horses, her first love. She has a thoroughbred breeding business with her son-in-law. Delinda's letter was a breath of fresh air from South Carolina, signed with love to us classmates, "Lin Mix." • Some postcards were returned to sender. Has anyone news of the whereabouts of **Carol Anderson Gwatkin**, or **Priscilla Kelley Sadler**?

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55 REUNION CLASS Correspondent **Carlene Snyder Howland** reports: **Jojo Kittell Corey** writes, "I'm adjusting to life without **Dave** thanks to wonderful family, friends, and neighbors. My daughter and I go to UVM hockey games and I'm back in the Brattleboro American Legion Concert Band. Music is good therapy. I have been going through the tedious job of sorting through things. One thing I found today was the wonderful yearbook from our 50th Reunion. Needless to say all work stopped!" • Last December, my (**Carlene**) daughter Lori '81 and I fulfilled one lifetime travel wish by booking a week's cruise on the Danube River. First, we spent three nights in Frankfurt, our hometown in the early 1960s, where I first fell in love with how Germany celebrates Christmastime. We marveled at the changes to Frankfurt and reconnected with old friends. We took a day train to Wiesbaden, which itself is such an enjoyable place to visit. Then we flew to Vienna, to board the Ama Waterways boat, the *AmaSonata*. A favored part of the cruise was being able to unpack once and yet visit so many different places, as our boat sailed north. Many places that we visited, like Dürnstein, in the Wachau Valley in Austria, and Regensburg, Germany, are UNESCO World Heritage sites. In particular, these areas suffered little damage from the ravages of WWII and have much historical charm. At each stop on our cruise, we visited Christmas markets, where kiosks were set up for the whole Advent season, featuring local handicrafts of all sorts, or glühwein and hot chocolate, lebkuchen and wursts, to chase away the cold. Seeing locals and tourists enjoy the smells, tastes, and beauty of these markets was entertaining. On board ship, we met passengers from all over the world. One night, near Salzburg, the von Trapp family members treated us to their musical talent. The Danube narrows beyond Regensburg. In 1846, King Ludwig I copied the idea of our Erie Canal to join the Danube to the Main River. In this canal, we passed through 16 locks, some on each side of the European Continental Divide, where the direction of the water flow changes from south to north. We disembarked at Nuremberg and flew home from Zurich. Great trip! • Being the women's class correspondent for the last five years has had special meaning for me. It's given me a chance to better appreciate you, as mature adults, and learn what interesting lives you have been leading. It's a happy job, but one that I could not have easily done without coaching from **Sue Byers** and the technological assistance from daughter Lori. To them for their efforts, and to all of you, who have so faithfully sent in your news, thank you! At this time, I would like to pass the torch to someone who has time and energy to devote to this worthy cause. If you do, please consider taking over—it's fun! • Correspondent **John Baker** reports: **Robert Heller** says, "My oldest grandson is married and about to have his second child, so I'm a great-grandfather twice over. I'm pleased to have made contact with **JoJo** and we have spent some time reviewing our days at Middlebury as well as the state of the world. I'm active in my local church leading a scripture study course. We have lots of people who shed the church of their youth but in later years have become very interested in digging deeper." • **Wally Beevers** says, "John, I really enjoyed your book! This may be of interest to you: I built a passive solar home in the 1970s, mostly on my own with help from family and friends. Great adventure! Then I restored a 1740 colonial in the '80s. Wish I had your book then! Now I'm just writing novels and recovering from a stroke. I just started a murder mystery called *Reunion*, set at a small New England college. My latest book, *Sins of Father Joe*, is at the printer's. Thanks for being our voice, John!" • **Bob Gallagher** reports, "Ruth and I are still traveling the world. We spent a month in South America last fall starting in Rio; on to Iguazú Falls; on to Buenos Aires, Argentina; rugged trekking in various locations in Patagonia; up-close glacier explorations on an ice breaker for a few days in the Chilean fjords; on to various Chilean locations during the height of their civil unrest; concluding in Lima, Peru, after exploring various Incan sites, high mountain (13,000 feet) native villages, a couple days each at Machu Picchu and Cuzco, Peru. The Gallagher children and grandchildren are all doing fine despite some life rough spots along the way from which they seem to move forward positively." • **Alan Gould** and wife Pat continue to be active at the Wilton (Conn.) Library. Pat, a former trustee, now has a leadership role in the highly successful library book sales. At the most recent "Brubecks Play Brubeck" jazz concert, the library announced that Dave Brubeck's entire collection, currently at the Univ. of the Pacific, will be moved to the Wilton Library. Celebrating the 100th anniversary of Dave Brubeck's birth, the audience received this news with much excitement. The Brubecks lived in Wilton for over 50 years. His sons have performed many jazz concerts at the library, with this most recent one the beginning of their national tour. • **Marcelino Garcia** reports, "Betty and I are planning to arrive at the farm on June 1 near Saratoga, N.Y. As always, we are thinking of Midd. Both our daughter and son have attended recent Reunions. We continue living in Tampa, Fla., in good health and enjoying life. I stay in touch with **Bruce Byers** and **JoJo**. Betty and I will be celebrating our 62nd anniversary and I turned 87 in January." • **Roy Craig** says, "If anyone ever visits Denver during the holiday season, I suggest a fun event. During the holiday week, in a large, open plaza downtown, 300 tuba players entertain the gathered throngs of singing onlookers with sensational harmony and enthusiastic sound. If it doesn't get you in the spirit, you are a stone. Lucky me, my daughter lives in nearby Boulder. It is a HOOT. Onward!" • **Stu Bowne** writes, "We continue to travel extensively. We encountered Middlebury grads on a trip to Australia and New Zealand. Interest in classical music, particularly opera, remains strong. We moved to downtown LA four years ago to walk to opera, concerts, and theater." • And now for the sad news: **Peter Wegmann** died on October 27 in Hartland, Wis., at the age of 86. He was a member of our class but transferred to Marquette University. He served as a Marine and had a successful business career and was involved in many deserving causes. (Sorry he chose to transfer from Middlebury.) • **Frank Punderson** died on January 3. Frank and I traveled to Europe together in the summer of 1953. Our warm wishes go out to Linda, his wife of 59 years, and their four children and their families. • Liddy and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary over Christmas—a few weeks early. (It's actually January 17.) We wanted all 17 of our family to gather somewhere and so the four children and three spouses came up with Mayakoba, Mexico. • I must thank all of you who responded to my emails. More phone calls next time!

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56 Upon learning of **Hull Maynard**'s passing, **Dick Powell** wrote the following to Hull's wife, Taffy (Joanna Taft '58), which she agreed he could share with classmates. "I am so sorry to learn of Hull's passing. I so admired him for his humor, thoughtfulness, accomplishments, and energetic pursuit of life. Not long after graduation, I bumped into

him in Korea. We were there in the aftermath of the war doing our small part to maintain the peace. As fellow artillerymen, we were officers in mortar batteries of two adjacent infantry regiments in the 7th Infantry Division, located in the Chorwon Valley north of the 38th Parallel. At one of our Middlebury Reunions, we played tennis. I thought I was pretty good, but learned in short order that I was no match for him. In recent years I founded a group of Midd veterans to bring more recognition to Middlebury veterans. I called him last April to tell him about it and invited him to attend a small gathering of Vermont vets to tell stories of their military. Right away he started telling me of his exploits in the military, some of which were hilarious. But it seemed difficult for him to speak or to make that trip. We did share that both of us had contracted Parkinson's disease and lamented about how it inhibited our active lifestyles. The world has lost a handsome and gifted guy and is all the better for how he lived his life and served the people he touched. Peace and love." • **Roger Gilman**'s wife called **John Hoops** to tell him of Roger's passing. John writes, "It was very sad news. Roger was one of the nicest, brightest guys that ever went to Middlebury. He was a Sig Ep football star and managed the house kitchen and dining hall. He became an engineer with his own company. He will be missed." • The following notes were gathered for our January 10 deadline so the news is from before the stay-at-home orders. • **Judy Phinney Stearns** writes, "I have recently changed my lifestyle and moved into an active life plan community not far from the town where I lived for 53 years. It's a great place to live, meet new friends, learn new things, and enjoy a full active life. Address is 400 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002. I still enjoy many weekends at our Bridgewater, Vt., home where the family gathers for special events and keeping up with seasonal chores. Not long ago I found myself at Bread Loaf for a Vermont Land Trust annual meeting and what a great feeling just to be there. I also visited a wonderful vegetable growing farm owned by a fairly young and enterprising couple in East Middlebury. Vermont farmers are not old and bent over anymore, but are a new hard-working generation using new ideas and methods for whatever kind of farming they do." • **Char Mugford Robinson** writes, "Art and I celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary last June. We have been living in Riverside, Conn., for the last 50 years and are considering moving to a retirement community. We both drive but are moving more slowly. Our daughter, Kim, lives in Stamford, Conn., and works at a local school. Our son, Scott, is an actuary and has three children. His wife, Katie, is a vet. Our grandchildren are Morgan (17), Connor (16), and Maddie (13), who live close by in Larchmont, N.Y. We usually spend a good part of the summer in Maine. We both enjoy reading and recommend mystery novels by Louise Penny, and *A Gentleman in Moscow* and *Where the Crawdads Sing*. Best wishes and good health to all!" • **Shirley McMahon Oktay** and her husband are still living in their home in Duxbury on the southeast coast of Massachusetts. She has thought a little of moving to a retirement center but is not ready for that yet. She practiced medicine for 40 years as both a pediatrician and psychiatrist. She is now retired but still active on the board of the senior center and going to gym classes twice a week. She is very proud of her younger sister who was instrumental in saving the iconic Citco sign at Fenway Park while working for the city of Boston. • **Debbie Shepard Rinner** writes, "We're adjusting to life in a senior residence and on balance, it's a good place to be. No snow to shovel, no leaves to rake, meals to cook (which I miss), or other homeowner concerns. Many residents are vital and active into their 90s, which gives us something to strive for. Where did the years go? Our new address is 123 Reserve Way, Apt. 216, Williamsburg, VA 23185." • **Peter Salmon** reflects on the life of his college classmate and very close friend, **Tom Feininger**. "Wife Linda (Shutt) '58 had gone to the post office to mail our passport renewal material. We were looking forward to another summer visit with Tom Feininger and Johanne Bichet in Old Quebec City, a stone's throw from the famed Château Frontenac. But while she was out the call came from Tom's oldest daughter, Anna, to tell us that Tom had died the day before. In addition to fairly frequent visits, we had kept in touch since Middlebury with many letters. So I knew he had been feeling frustrated by the failing energy of old age, but his death was a shock, since enormous vitality had always been his outstanding characteristic, and I thought he would live to be 100, like one of his uncles. Tom was born in Sweden in 1935. Sometime later the family moved to Germany, where Tom's grandparents lived. His grandfather, the distinguished painter, Lyonel Feininger, was a member of the Bauhaus group. Before the outbreak of World War II, the family moved from Germany to New York, where Tom's father, Andreas, became a photographer for *Life* magazine when that was the peak position of photojournalism. Tom was one of three geology majors in our class, along with **Mal McCallum** and **Chan Murdock**, and made his career as a geologist. He worked briefly for an oil company, but could not stand a corporate culture that surveyed private lands looking for oil, but hid their purpose from the owners of those lands, hoping to buy it cheaply. So he got an advanced degree and went to work for the U.S. Geological Survey. We spent a couple of memorable weeks together years ago in southern Rhode Island, where he was mapping and I was painting the landscape. He went on to South America to map minerals in Colombia and Ecuador and teach college students, and then to Canada for similar work with Université Laval. (He enjoyed the distinction of living in the only two major cities in the Western Hemisphere beginning with Q—Quito and Quebec.) Tom was an avid field geologist—any excursion with him would include a squeal of brakes as he stopped the car to jump out and chip off an interesting roadside rock sample. He was frustrated that modern students preferred to get their basic information secondhand from books and media sources. In the last year of his life, he had the satisfaction of finding a destination, the Univ. of Maine, for his extensive rock collection. Besides rock chipping, any trip with Tom was likely to be an adventure. He and lifelong friend Per Christiansen both loved old cars and were also knight-errants on the road. In the days before cell phones they would pull over whenever they saw a disabled car on the roadside and were usually successful in getting it going again. The only time I remember it taking longer was when they acquired a 1941 Hudson from our uphill neighbor and just rolled it down to our yard, where it sat for years, until we were getting ready for our daughter's wedding and Linda wanted it out. Per showed up in a 1940 Hudson and towed it away. Tom was first married to Sarah, another Bauhaus descendant, and then to Donna, an opera singer and the mother of their daughters Anna, Erica, and Ingrid, and has shared a very happy life for the past 25 years or so with Johanne, a talented artist/potter. There are plans for a future gathering in Canada, probably near Ottawa, to share memories of Tom. I hope (and expect) our old car will make it." • We are greatly saddened to report the deaths of **Kay Leetch Roedel** and **Carole "Rusty" Stevens Groselle**. If anyone wants to share her/his thoughts of either person, please contact us. We sincerely thank everyone who contributed to this issue.

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Ed. note: We would like to apologize to **Priscilla Noble Grundy** for listing her as deceased in the In Memoriam box in the winter issue of the magazine. A glitch in our database inadvertently changed her status and after a phone call from her letting us know she is very much alive, the glitch was fixed. We are very thankful she is still with us! • If you have any news you would like to share with the class, please send it to me (**Ken**) or give me a call at 1-774-722-0313.

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We were saddened to learn of the passing of classmate **Miriam "Mimi" Packard Brown** on October 18. Before entering Middlebury, Mimi graduated from Oak Grove School in Vasselboro, Maine. At Middlebury, she met her future husband, Andrew Brown '59, and they lived in Lake George, N.Y., and Vero Beach, Fla. Mimi was involved with and supported Family Service of Glens Falls, N.Y., the Hyde Museum, her garden club, Glens Falls Hospital Guild, and many other organizations.

She was a fiercely independent woman who loved being by the water, whether it was the lake or the ocean, and was an avid gardener, book reader, and world traveler. • For more than 60 years, a number of our classmates have served as class secretaries, now correspondents, putting together the class notes which are—for many of us—the best part of *Middlebury Magazine*. As the current correspondents, we have found it is increasingly difficult to solicit contributions to our column. The most frequent excuse is "I haven't got anything to write about." In an attempt to rectify this problem we are issuing a challenge to the Class of 1958: **What have you done since retirement that you did not anticipate while you were at Middlebury?** This is a question which every one of you can answer. ("Getting old" is not the answer!) Our hope is that each of you will reply in a sentence or a paragraph, and that you will then send your answer to **Mary** or **Sue** at the emails below. With your cooperation, we should get enough material to fill some upcoming columns. To get you started, here are our answers: From **Mary**: *Living in North Carolina on the coast.* When husband Rick and I retired in 1996, we never thought we'd move away from Connecticut, but after visiting several friends who had moved and feeling their excitement and love for their new Southern experiences, we were convinced that we needed to give it a try. We are so glad we did. The temperate weather throughout the year is such a pleasure, our beaches are beautiful, we're involved in outside activities all year long, and we've experienced enduring friendships with people from all over the country. Since the move, we've lived through two hurricanes, but we were one of the lucky ones—absolutely no damage to ourselves nor to our home. Taxes are a lot lower, too! Come see us if you're ever in the area. • From **Sue**: *Nothing I did at Middlebury indicated that I would spend the last 25 years (and still counting) volunteering at art museums*. When we moved to Charlotte, N.C., a friend suggested that I apply for the docent training program at the Mint Museum. I did, and after a few years of giving tours there, I also became involved with the National Docent Symposium Council. This gave me the opportunity to visit museums across the United States and Canada. I am currently volunteering at the Seattle Art Museum. I wear a big button that says ASK ME, tell people where the restrooms are located, and interact with visitors anywhere in the museum. I still haven't figured out if this is fun because I like people or I like art but it certainly has made retirement more interesting. • Now, let's hear from you, '58ers. We so look forward to your responses. **Sue** and **Mary**

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Bob Fries retired from Anderson Univ., in South Carolina, almost a decade ago after teaching and administrative tasks for 35 years. "This past summer, I began part-time employment with the Census Bureau, doing field work in preparation for the 2020 Census, a huge undertaking and of national importance. After graduation in 1959, I worked as a scientist studying the aurora in Antarctica. Quite a diversity of jobs!" • **Anne Martin Hartmann** sent greetings from New Zealand, where she was visiting daughter Cassie and family. Sons Mike and Steve and families were there also, so it was quite a special Christmas. • **Dave Harpp** reminds us of the times we watched Phil Latreille '61 playing hockey and believes he still holds the NCAA scoring record for points and goals. • Pat and **Fred Swan** continue to log miles through Road Scholar tours. This winter it was Egypt for eight days followed by a visit with friends in Dubai. The opulence of the presidential palace in Abu Dhabi was impressive. • **Sally Williams Zampariolo** continues to enjoy retirement in Delmar, N.Y., a hamlet that is part of the town of Bethlehem near Albany and near her son and grandchildren. "It's a beautiful part of the world, especially in the spring. I'm enjoying new friends, frequent visits to the Y, and taking advantage of the many cultural offerings here, especially in the summer. It's a big and very welcome change from the many years that I lived in Brooklyn." • **Bill Wemmerus**, a member of the Wilderness Run Dulcimer Band, on octave mandolin and penny whistle, played Christmas music at the Graffiti House, a ghost-infested Civil War venue in Virginia. They also had a few gigs at area nursing homes with his own band, curiously named Bill and Friends. On the side, Bill keeps his athleticism at a high standard playing pickleball. • **Barbara Samson Thompson** writes, "On December 17, I made my annual trip across the pond to visit daughter Deborah and family for Christmas. We had a fabulous time! An added excitement was being able to be there to see my daughter become a British citizen after living in England 26 years! It was a lovely ceremony held in a building built in 1572, with just the four of us and the registrar. Don't worry, she did keep her American citizenship." • **Bick Bicknell** and wife Ginny avoided the commercialization of Christmas by taking a Holland America Cruise out of Fort Lauderdale with stops in the Bahamas, Jamaica, Grand Cayman, and Cozumel, Mexico. Ship entertainment included an outstanding piano quintet provided by the NYC Lincoln Center. They were both on diets after the cruise. • **Craig Peel** and wife Fran are still basking in the memory of an extraordinary 60th Midd Reunion. He wrote, "It was wonderful to pick up on conversations begging to be continued with Midd classmates who have left an indelible mark on our lives for, lo, these many years." Craig also reports that holiday gifts come in unusual shapes, styles, and varieties. In this case, his wife was the recipient of an unexpected and deeply appreciated gift of an aortic valve transplant that brought a remarkable healing of a lingering heart issue. • **Dick Hofmann** stated it was great to see so many familiar faces at our 60th Reunion, more than he had expected. "It was a wonderful and joyous experience from beginning to end and my thanks to all the good people who made it possible. My travels in the fall took me to Germany, where I visited many friends and relatives—plus I also spent a week in Provence, France." • **Bruce Cameron** and wife Roseann were still gushing about the 60th Reunion. "I'm blessed with such wonderful and amazing KDR classmates. It was an incredible weekend!" Their travels have been restricted to the continental states, with stops last year in San Diego, Rhode Island, Philadelphia, Oceanside, Seattle, Sacramento, San Rafael, and Palo Alto. When the doctor asked Bruce how he was doing, his response was "For an 82-year-old, I'm doing great, but if I was 70, I wouldn't be doing so great." • **Granthia Lavery Preston** writes, "On April 6, 2019, I married Harlan 'Buzz' Fair in a small family ceremony at Kendal at Hanover, N.H. Most of our six children were able to join us and seven grandkids participated. We each lost our spouses of 53 and 48 years on the same afternoon, October 3, 2014, and now are excited to share the rest of our lives together. We live at Kendal, a continuing care retirement community, with wonderful people, much stimulation, and nearby conservation land with trails. Buzz, a retired navy captain, went to Dartmouth and the Thayer School of Engineering and raised his family just north of NYC. Classmates at our wedding were **Carolyn Parks Behr**, **Anne Hartmann**, and **Cynthia Hall Marshall**. Also living at Kendal is Sabra Harwood Field '57." • **Dick Krasker** reports, "Every day is a new day, never been that age before, so you never know what to expect, but thankfully I continue to be in good shape. Did a stress test and Doc said I was in the 93rd percentile, so I guess the ticker is good for some more upright time." • **Mary Charles Hubbard Blakebrough** will be embarking on a new role unexpectedly—she is taking over for the president-elect of her Raleigh (N.C.) Midtown Rotary Club. It will definitely be a time of much "living, loving, learning, and adventure" (her longtime toast). Anybody else still involved in Rotary? • Congratulations to **Ailene Kane Rogers**, who was presented with the Albert Nelson Marquis Lifetime Achievement Award for her work over the years as an educator. She taught science to middle and high school students for almost 30 years, was a director and counselor for the science camp at the Potomac School, has served as a consultant to various science-oriented organizations, and been a member of several associations, including the Nature Conservancy in Maine. Well done! • It's sad to report that on December 11 we lost classmate **John Howick**, a victim of Parkinson's disease. His field was English literature, in which he held a BA and MA. • **Bill Hahn** and his wife, Mary Jane, had two adventures last year. The first was an outstanding trip to Alaska and cruis-

ing back to Vancouver, BC, and the second was to Northern Italy, including Milan and Venice. They were extremely excited about the Dolomite Mountains and not too impressed with wading into St. Mark's Square. • Four classmates gathered on Anna Maria Island, Fla., for a Midd mini-reunion, including **Bill Hahn**, **Bick Bicknell**, **Andy Montgomery**, and their wives along with **Dick Hofmann**. The topics of discussion included politics, Vietnam, travels, and "organ recitals." We missed **Anne Hartmann** and **Dottie Dever Frost**, who had been frequent past attendees.

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REUNION CLASS We are sorry that we won't be able to gather on campus in June. **Judy Richardson Weil** and husband Herb, **Lindy Hill Reed**, and **Nancy "Mumf" Mumford Mulvey** were particularly looking forward to sharing good times at our 60th Reunion. Judy and Herb were in reunion mode as they had a wonderful time at his 65th at Yale last summer. Lindy had an amazing trip to Egypt and Jordan in 2019 but her latest wonderful time was welcoming her first great-grandchild. This year Mumf hopes to fit more travel into her busy volunteer life if it becomes possible. Last summer she enjoyed a small-ship cruise in Croatia with her daughter and daughter-in-law. • In June **Breck** and **Sue Hibbert Lardner** will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary, as will **Jane Collins Garcia** and husband Tony '59. • **Marjorie Bassila** emailed from Guatemala City. She has four children and nine grandchildren and keeps busy with family businesses. Last July she and **Sue Gore** traveled to the Galápagos. They passed through Quito, Ecuador, and met with **Molly Dugan.** After 50 years of not seeing one another, they spent an afternoon remembering their times at Midd. • **Charlie Rand**, who lives in Williamsburg, Va., appreciated **Jean Seeler-Gifford**'s Christmas message and the wisdom from **Judy Jacobson Kehs**. In Brewer, Maine, **Jane Van Roekens Sinclair** also liked Judy's wisdom. As did **Kathryn Olds Falconer** of Kearney, Neb., who noted she should make copies for her grandchildren. She wrote that there was too much snow and flooding in Nebraska last year but they survived. • Now calling Middlebury home are **Bob Cross**, living in the Residence at Otter Creek, and **Deb Wetmore**, a resident in the Marble Works. • Deb and **Judy Falby Tuttle** took in a French concert in the Château. Judy continues weekly dance lessons in Montreal with local practices in Charlotte, Vt. Three years ago she started painting in oils and wrote that this year was her best for sales, so she must be improving. • **Ed** and Jane Crittenden **Sommers** '62 moved from Middlebury to Carpinteria, Calif., where they are closer to their children and grandchildren. • For Bette and **Pieter Schiller**, 2019 was the year of focus on their house in Weybridge, Vt., which suffered extensive fire damage in 2018. Pieter wrote that this brought the whole family together in a wonderful way. Their daughters decided to rebuild and update and took over the whole project. Reconstruction was complete and their move back in was in time to celebrate the 4th of July. Pieter and Bette now enjoy a first-floor master bedroom and bath. • We are sorry to report that **Paul Lewis** passed away on October 31 in Rochester, N.Y. A math major, he enjoyed flying Cessnas, driving his '86 Porsche, camping in the Adirondacks, fine cognac, classy bow ties, walks with his dog, Molly, and spending time with his sweetheart and wife, Sandy. • There is too much news from your holiday cards and letters to fit in this column. Your messages will appear in the next *Middlebury Magazine*. Contact your class correspondents for new addresses.

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Lee Kaufman is still a resident of Kalispell, Mont., and has a house in Dillon, Colo., for skiing. He and his wife also rented a house in Park City, Utah, for the winter. The new abode was primarily so they could be near their five grand "urchins," three of whom ski on the Park City ski team. Last October Lee traveled to New Orleans for a redfish fishing trip and as he reported, "I spent three days fly-fishing for those big devils and did land quite a few, the biggest close to 20 lbs." Unfortunately, Lee also reported that he hadn't been able to ski due to a bad case of the shingles. His advice is if you haven't had the two-shot shingles vaccination, absolutely check with your doctor and "run, don't walk, to get it." Lee was stricken at Thanksgiving time and as of mid-January was still experiencing pain and lack of mobility. He was hoping to start skiing well enough to begin Master's racing again by the end of February. Post ski season Lee was hoping to be back in Montana, where his usual fly-fishing, boating, lake time, and golf take precedence. • **Betsy Hawley Greenman** is busy finding ways to be present with friends and family. This included driving with a friend from Seattle to Michigan last summer. The friend, and his dog, relocated to Michigan and asked Betsy to assist with driving to get his car there. Gorgeous scenery and 2,600+ miles went by quickly (with no speeding tickets). Another drive at Thanksgiving was a seven-hour trip from the Seattle area to Halfway, Ore. (way into the Hells Canyon country), where Betsy's oldest son and wife, and their two sons now live. Betsy reports glorious sights although she admits she was really glad to have an 18-wheeler ahead of her on the top of the Blues Mountains with a wintry mix arriving. As soon as the elevation became lower, the sun appeared and travel resumed to "normal." Betsy counts on audible books and cruise control to make her trips relatively easy. • Your class correspondent has been studying mixed media art in a small group with an outstanding and gifted teacher. One goal had been to prepare for a solo show at my residence, Chicago's The Admiral at the Lake, a Kendal Community on the shores of Lake Michigan. Entitled "Reedings," the show, in recognition of my 80th birthday, was in March. • While you're preparing your news to include in future columns, remember that our 60th Reunion is just a bit over one year away.

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Most of us will be celebrating our 80th birthdays this year if we haven't already. It would be interesting to hear from some who already have or are planning some sort of Big Birthday Bash as to where, what, and with whom. • Also 50th anniversary wing-dings would be fun to hear about, like Lucy's: The latest from **Lucy Beckley Cole** is that they had an early 50th anniversary celebration by taking a Viking river boat cruise on the Rhine and then continuing on to a tour through parts of Greece last May when the wildflowers were incredible, crossing another item off their bucket list. (Too bad we hadn't communicated plans because **Nora Wright** and I (**Judy**) also were ambling around Greece last May, sampling wines and delicious food hither and yon.) Lucy's husband, Rosser, is still helping people with estate planning and other legal affairs and Lucy has done a lot of traveling in the last five years continuing to educate people about the threats to parental rights and why they are so important. • **Alice Couperus Gross** writes in her usual positive and enthusiastic way about her life and considers herself a very LUCKY ONE, in spite of "Blue or maybe purple hairs or maybe no hairs at all; speeding around in some sort of power chair or grabbing left and right for a railing; or only 'doing stairs' if the handrail is on BOTH sides; or avoiding sidewalks cuz of the uneven concrete seams and how am I ever to deal with the grass if I lose my balance. O! JEEPERS, I almost forgot about the curbs. YIKES, are we all in the same boat? As Janet, Brian's daughter, said to me many years ago, IT IS WHAT IT IS, ALICE—DEAL WITH!" She continues, "At long last, I have appeared 'under the lights.' How could I refuse when a favorite staff member asked me to be Mrs. Claus for the Brooksby Annual Making Spirits Bright Cocktail Party? All I had to do was wear a beautiful red floor-length dress (with sequins, big snow balls, and FUR) enhanced by a fabulous white wig with MANY little curls. Santa and I strolled through all lounges and dining rooms with little candy canes punctuated by a loud and heartfelt boisterous HO! HO! HO! All good fun—with an occasional comment heard: 'Oh look! That's Alice. Isn't she cute!' I have arrived!" And

furthermore: "Theater at the Pond decided to write an original musical comedy this year. It's a little Archie Bunker/Mister Rogers-ish. Hope our Brooksby Village audience gets as big a kick out of it as we are writing and rehearsing it. And WOW! Do we save a lot on royalties!" • **Linda Myers Jamison** reports on the highlights of her years since graduating. She spent one year teaching in Guatemala; two years in the Peace Corps on a project in Colombia, followed by six months of travel all around South America; and four-and-a-half years working in Natal, Brazil, where her husband was teaching at a university. "Since 1982 I have been living in Virginia just off the Chesapeake Bay. We bought an old Victorian house, a definite fixer-upper (and it still isn't done!). Marshall, my husband, passed away in 2012. One daughter lives in Bozeman, Mont., with her husband and son, and the other lives in Palo Alto, Calif., with her husband and three sons. I keep busy with many volunteer activities and I have been lucky to enjoy good health. I am planning to move to Montana in 2022 to live near my daughter there."

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We are delighted to open these class notes with honors given to two classmates: **Peter Hart** and **Neil Savage**. **Peter**, who died in 2009, was inducted posthumously this past November 3 onto the Housatonic Valley Regional High School "Wall of Honor" in Falls Village, Conn. Both his wife Sally (high school sweetheart) and daughter Wendy Hart Ross '91 (current superintendent of Theodore Roosevelt National Park) were there to accept the honor for the family. Peter was an environmental activist, athlete, outdoorsman, Vietnam veteran, end-to-end Appalachian Trail hiker, and an honored National Park Service retiree. • **Neil** (Exeter, N.H.), on November 13 at the Capital Center for Arts in Concord, N.H., was recognized by the nonprofit Volunteer NH for 30-plus years as the founder/leader of the Girl Scout group Coastal Rompers. His mentorship has provided teenage girls with in-depth oceanographic/conservation knowledge and with development of leadership skills. Numerous seashore and riverine venues throughout New England have benefited from efforts of the Rompers. Neil's wife, Lucia, accepted the award in his absence while he taught a technical writing class at Great Bay Community College in Portsmouth. • **Mark Aldrich** (Hatfield, Mass.) informs us that he maintains contact with classmates **Len Ufford** and **Mary Auryansen Gambolati**. Retired from Smith College, he has maintained office space on campus, providing workspace for research and writing. In 2006 he published a book: *Death Rode the Rails: American Railroad Accidents and Safety 1828–1965*, and is in the throes of writing another focusing on energy transitions which are currently in the process of change. • Per chance, I (**Chris**) spoke with **Susannah Chalmers Deacon** (York, Maine), who is listed in our class list, but did not graduate with our class. Her son, Bill Deacon, is a 1991 Middlebury graduate. She worked 20-plus years managing volunteers in the Heywood Hospital, Gardner, Mass., and retired in 2017, moving to York in 2018 to be near her son's and daughter's families. A very refreshing conversation ensued. She is a true Middlebury saleslady. If you pass through York, look her up! • **Mary Gambolati** (Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.) thanked us for the piece we wrote on husband Ron, who died last April. She is recovering well from his passing and relates that in October she traveled to Indiana to visit some old Army friends she and Ron knew while stationed in Germany. While there, she also had a wonderful visit with **Ann Shumann Pellegrino** (Lafayette, Ind.) and husband Louis. Mary also mentioned that she often chats with **Mark Aldrich**. She was planning to visit her daughter Susan in Roanoke, Va., before continuing the winnowing out process of stuff she and Ron accumulated over the years, thinking perhaps to sell the house and move into an apartment near local longtime friends. • **David Heacock** (Gloversville, N.Y.) and wife Corky are thoroughly enjoying retirement from the family business, which dates back to the late 1700s. When speaking with me (**Chris**) in mid-December, David proudly stated that he had just come off the ski slopes at nearby Gore Mountain. We both expressed glee at the prices afforded senior citizens. • **Noel** and **Betty Cooper Kane** (Washington, D.C.) are both finally enjoying retirement—she after 44 years in District of Columbia government and Noel as an attorney. A year ago, they spent January–March at their seaside home in Harpswell, Maine. This past year they spent part of the summer and early fall there, but returned to the warmth of D.C. for Christmas. Currently three generations of Kanes live in their D.C. home. Noel and Betty also enjoyed a week this past summer at the Chautauqua Institute in upstate New York—especially schmoozing with Middlebury's Bill McKibben. • **Arnie Levinson** (Northampton, Mass.) returned our phone call and stated that since retirement as an orthodontist, he now enjoys volunteer work within his community. After relinquishing his practice, he enjoyed owning and managing a local breakfast/donut restaurant and now from time to time retrieves and delivers automobiles for a local dealer. His final comment was that he wonders how anything is accomplished in D.C. • **Doris Oeljeklaus Millan** (Stoneham, Mass.) tells us that since retiring, she maintains interests in modern dance, yoga, and ballet. She has had very little connection with classmates. Her travels have mainly been to performances in the Boston vicinity. However, she and a group of women (gang of six), a year ago, did enjoy a barge trip on several French rivers. She has a son living in Yarmouth, Maine, and believes she was lucky to raise her children before the arrival of the fast-paced digital age we are now faced with. • **Richard Schlesinger** (Williamstown, Mass.) has retired from the U.S. Forest Service and strives to live quietly maintaining his farm. He continues to be actively involved in activities of the Western Massachusetts Watershed Assoc., and keeps fit via hiking the mountains of western Massachusetts, southern Vermont, and New Hampshire. • **David Taylor** (Plainfield, N.H.) returned our call on New Year's Eve, stating that both he and wife Susan are in good health, enjoying the life of gentlemen farmers, and taking time to hike and bird-watch. David was expecting to undergo a knee replacement in February. The Taylors see Kathy and **Steve Wilkerson** regularly as well as **Chuck** and **Sue Handy Burdick**. Perhaps this summer en route to the botanical gardens in Boothbay or Monhegan Island, Maine, they may cross paths with the Kanes in Harpswell. • Last October 25, I (**Chris**) flew to Seattle to celebrate my 80th birthday—a fun-filled event orchestrated by son Stephen, wife Vicky, granddaughters Zoe and Averi, daughter Heather (San Francisco) and stepsons John (Charlotte, N.C.) and Peter (Waldo, Maine) Zuck (sons of Susan Blume White '68). We partied well with eating, hiking, sailing, and storytelling. It's very meaningful to have such a tight-knit extended family. This past winter, I was back as a Mountain Steward at the Camden Snow Bowl, one of two spots in the U.S. where one can ski and view the ocean—the Atlantic in Maine and the Pacific in Alaska. It will soon be time to turn on the water in the Great Cranberry Island, Maine, house and kick back and listen to the surf from the front deck. • Again, please note, we include next to names where the College believes you reside. These notes are the result of 36 calls made during November and December. Numbers for one third proved faulty or with answering machines saying "memory full." One third of the calls after leaving messages produced no contact, but thankfully one third produced nice chats. Please make an effort to assure contact information is current. This can be done by contacting the College directly or by letting either **Janie** or **Chris** know via snail or email. The College tells us that Midd '63 has extraordinary cohesiveness. Let's make it even better.

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Correspondent **Bob Baskin** reports: You may remember from the Reunion wrap-up in the fall issue, that I felt the class may be interested in hearing about our classmate **Paul Butler**, with whom I shared a dinner table at our Reunion's class dinner. Paul and his wife, Nadia, a fascinating nuclear engineer, were attending his first Reunion. He told us his first language growing up was Turkish and, since his family moved around a lot, he was fluent in French and German, as well. Given his

interest in languages, Paul came to Middlebury expecting to study Russian, but when Misha Fayer mandated that Russian majors take no other languages, he switched to political science and took Russian anyway. After completing ROTC at Midd, Paul spent 20 years in the military. He went through Airborne and Ranger training before joining Special Forces, and he was sent to Vietnam in late 1964. He did rotating tours of duty there until 1969. Following Vietnam, Paul went into a four-year forensic area specialists training program, obtaining a master's and a PhD. In 1976, Paul arrived at West Point, where he took over the courses being taught by General Wesley Clark. Paul noted that his arrival at West Point was auspicious because 1976 was the first year women were admitted and, also, the year of the great West Point cheating scandal. Paul continued teaching, at the Naval War College, where he taught an ethics course with Admiral James Stockdale, who had spent seven years in a Vietnam POW camp. One of Paul's other responsibilities in the Army was to work on arms procurement. In this role, he was one of several coordinators charged with helping to arm the Saudi National Guard. That experience led him to work, after retiring from the Army, with a prominent Saudi businessman who was involved in numerous large deals with arms and infrastructure. Paul apparently learned some good lessons and was able to start his own firm involving international business ventures focusing on infrastructure. He said he spent most of his time in Singapore and London, but very successfully operated around the world. In 1994, Paul met his wife and together they ran a venture capital firm that identified energy-related technologies and created software dealing with emergency management of disasters. By the time they sold the company in 2013, they had opened some 30 offices around the world. Paul says he's now fully retired on a beach in Delaware, but he still works out to remind himself of the 21 Iron Man events in which he competed, including the prestigious one in Hawaii in 1974. Sounds to me like a well-earned break. • Correspondent **Dori Ells Jurgenson** reports: **Lans Hays** says, "We are establishing a second home in Santa Fe this year. We started going to Santa Fe with a Middlebury group shepherded by two Midd music professors; they gave lectures the afternoon before we all attended the opera that night. The experience was so great we have been going back every summer for four or five operas. Then, one thing led to another..." • **Judith Denton Jones** writes, "I have been concentrating on expanding public school options in Maine for 20 years, including 10 years as chair of the board of the nonprofit Maine Association for Charter Schools. An amendment last year to the enabling legislation gave Maine a cap of 10 chartered schools and the 10th was approved in September. The Ecology Learning Center will be a small environmental education program in rural Waldo County. I really enjoy working with the innovative educators to design and operate these programs that open new opportunities for students. My husband, Bill, and I are still farming a bit in Hope, Maine, in addition to joining the local historical society and library. Last year's bumper apple crop means three dozen gallons of cider in the freezer, along with lots of wild blueberries." • **Jane Bowditch Holtz** was sorry to miss the 55th. She sends this update: "Steve '62 and I are now living at Avery Heights in Hartford, Conn., a senior living community with all levels of care, and we are very comfortable here. For the past few years, Steve has been struggling with cognitive impairment/memory issues, and he has recently been diagnosed with Alzheimer's. For now we are in an independent living cottage. Since Steve is his same friendly, outgoing self, he loves walking up to the main building where he works out in the gym, swims in the pool, and participates in activities with other residents. I am able to keep working at Barnes & Noble nearby. Our four kids have been great and visit often. Amy '89 is a school librarian, Peter is a school principal, Nam is about to get an MSW at Hunter in NYC, and Tae works in IT. Happily for us we also have four awesome grandchildren, two in college and two in high school. We are also thrilled to announce that Nam has recently completed her documentary, *Found in Korea*, which has been seen in several film festivals all over the country." • And there's this from **Tricia Livingston Herban**: "Greetings to all. I'm grateful to still be traveling and living independently, but in addition to trips to Mexico and Iceland last year, I have moved into a senior residence in the heart of Columbus, Ohio, so that should my situation change in the future, I will be living where I have friends and a vital community. For several years, I have enjoyed Midd's Alumni College though last year found nothing that interested me. I hope to be there again this fall prior to a November trip to Japan and Christmas with my family in Costa Rica. Anyone passing through Columbus can find me at 645 Neil Avenue, #209 or mtherban3@gmail.com." • News from **Ann Messick Dunlevy** came to me in a Christmas letter. She and husband Jim divide their time between Oxford, Ohio, and a second home in Wiscasset, Maine. They have a son and daughter-in-law in Illinois, and a daughter, son-in-law, and two grandsons in Virginia. The grandsons are heavily involved in soccer, and also in music, with Tucker playing classical guitar and Will piano and cello. Ann and Jim also did a lot of traveling last year: to Spain last February, Germany and Switzerland in August, then Portugal in November. Last May, they visited Montana and Wyoming, renting a Jeep to explore, and also doing some hiking in Yellowstone. • It's great to see so many classmates traveling and enjoying life! You can send news anytime—always great to hear what people are doing.

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REUNION CLASS No doubt we have reached that age in our lives, filled with so many highs and lows: quality time with our children and grandchildren; incredible journeys throughout the world that have long been on our bucket lists; then unexpected injuries, illnesses, and, yes, even deaths. Let us begin with the highs. • **Sally Scull Hunter** is living in Maine and is lucky to have grandchildren locally. Sally has also done some traveling, a yen she picked up through all those slideshows in geography and history classes. • **Lee Holden Kintzel** and husband Roger spend summers in Jackson Hole. After a stint with the *Austin American Statesman* and another with the *Atlanta Journal Constitution*, Roger and Lee returned to life in Austin, Texas, in order to be near children and grandchildren. Life in Austin is dynamic in the fast-growing metropolis. She occasionally runs into **Casey Hoffman**, as they belong to the same country club. • **Maris Swan Humphreys** has been involved with Colonial Dames and DAR activities, sings in the choir of an Episcopalian parish in Newport, R.I., has pared down from half-marathons and 5Ks to participating in five-mile walks, and still skis and plays tennis. Two of her three children are Midd alums, and she and Keith have five grandchildren between the ages of two and 14. • **Julie Marble Emerson**, in Santa Barbara, Calif., was fortunate to avoid the fires in California last fall, as did **Carol Burr**, who does find herself looking at their 15 towering redwoods, planted 30 years ago when she and Roger built their house in Chico. • **Bonnie Garr** is thoroughly enjoying retirement in Santa Fe, N.M., where she keeps herself both disorganized and busy volunteering at a museum and in the chemo center. How, she asks, would Santa Fe function without the free labor of its retiree volunteers? True, for all our towns, probably. • **Larry Gray** is bucking the odds and invested in a new ski jacket this past winter. He is one of many '65 skiers who still hit the slopes. He has no plans to recuperate, like one of our classmates, from a broken femur. (Wink and a shout-out to Nurse **Bonnie Trompeter Lowe**.) • After the notable turnout of '65s at Alumni College in August, reported in our last issue, nine more of our classmates came together during Homecoming Weekend to begin planning for our 55th. **Pete Delfausse**, **Martha Saenz**, **Peter Glenn**, **Andy Johnson Perham**, **Pete Holcombe**, **Fred Stetson**, **Michael McCann**, **John Hastings**, and **"T" Tall** drafted a preliminary schedule of programs and panel discussions. That crew then grew to 20 when joined by **Marguerite Dupuis Balaschak**, **Anne Battle**, **Randy Brock**, **Carol Burr**, **Tim Carey**, **Francis Love**, **Bonnie** and **Norm Lowe**, **Phil Nelson**, **Polly Moore Walters**, and **Ed Weissman**, who although unable to attend the Homecoming session, were willing to contact classmates to encourage them to return for Reunion. Thanks to all the volunteers despite the sad fact we won't be gathering on campus in June. • Then, amid our excitement over the Reunion,

we learned of the shocking news that Nancy Smith had died unexpectedly. Tributes poured in to your class correspondents. "Oh, how horribly sad. My heart goes out to all of us for whom she was such a loyal and loving friend, as well as to her family for whom she was a loving and loyal wife and mother." "She was so vital at our 50th and so, so, so very impressive." "She was a strong and successful Middlebury alum, who gave generously of her time to the College and cared for her classmates. She will be missed." "I can't tell you how sad this makes me. Nancy was such a force, and it is hard to believe she isn't here to lead whatever charge might need to be led. Her absence leaves a hole in my heart." "Nancy had so much energy, enthusiasm, and interest in life and in living fully." "I went back to the 50th book and reread Nancy's two offerings, her one-page bio, and more importantly, her piece on being an 'Econ Woman.' I recommend we think about how this remarkable classmate chose to use this one life we are given as you read her words again." "When we think of our class, her name surfaces fast! What a presence we have lost." "Whenever I see pearls, I will think of her." An obituary appears on page 85.

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To assist with your future planning, here's a message for '66 women from Carol Sue Tarbox Tombari (caroltombari@gmail.com, 720-934-6297) and Shirley Frobes (sfrobes@aol.com, 949-683-4008): "In view of the coronavirus outbreak, we have reconsidered our plans for the Midd Mini-reunion #2. We know it is not the time to make commitments for an event that involves travel and hotel reservations, and it is not possible to estimate with any certainty when that will change. We are reluctant to cancel the event; however, we think it best to do so. We will miss seeing you in October, but we look forward to seeing you next year at our 55th Reunion! Stay safe and healthy." • Don Brainard and wife Cheryl (Furman University '81) have had two major events since our 50th Reunion. First, a year ago September, they and a group of 15 friends walked 200 miles of the Camino de Santiago from León to Santiago de Compostela. They did it in 13 days with no days off, "Kind of like a forced march," Don writes. However, the walk was meaningful enough to him that he wants (after he recovers from a kneecap osteotomy) to walk the Portuguese Way from Lisbon to Santiago—about 157 miles along the Atlantic coast. Second, on July 9, 2019, Cheryl was ordained a priest in the Episcopal Church. She is an assistant rector at St. James Parish, Wilmington, N.C. Don continues his pastoral care and community ministries out of his church, St. Paul's Episcopal, Wilmington. • Brenda Booth continues to travel. She let us know that last February she spent four wonderful weeks in Australia with Road Scholar, a great travel organization. When she wrote, she had just gotten back from a 10-day walking trip in Utah with the same group. "By accident," Brenda says, "I started oil painting. I love doing it, but it's extremely challenging, to say the least." Brenda has two growing grandsons in Ann Arbor, Mich. She bought a small condo there when the first grandson was born, 10 years ago. Brenda writes, "It's been terrific to have a comfortable spot to land so that I can stay six to seven weeks in the summer when the weather in Little Rock is unbearable." Prue and Brenda got together for lunch in Ann Arbor several years ago and hope to do so again. • Polly Brown has also been traveling a lot lately. She writes, "Since both my husband and my dog died, I've been on my own, footloose and fancy free. Recently, I went to the South Pacific islands, hoping to do a lot of snorkeling. The state of corals in the sea is dispiriting, but National Geographic has started a Pristine Seas Initiative to change some fishing regulations in hopes that fish will return to the corals and bring them back to life. Some areas are coming back; in others, it's sad to see the brown and bleached corals. A fabulous exception is Bora Bora, which has clear water, plentiful fish, and lovely corals." After her trip, Polly had surgery to repair torn tendons in her hip and spent six months as "a couch potato" while she healed. Undaunted, she is planning on visiting Antarctica on her next trip and notes, "No snorkeling there, of course!" • *Vermont Business Magazine* reports that the Who's Who of Vermont's ski and snowboarding world gathered last November at the Lodge at Spruce Peak in Stowe to celebrate their 2019 inductees into the Vermont Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame. One of the highlights of the evening was the showing of a short biographical film created for each of their inductees, which included John Brodhead, Craftsbury's Nordic skiing pioneer. The film documenting John's accomplishments will reside in the Vermont Ski and Snowboard Hall of Fame on the main street through Stowe, if you're in the area. Some classmates may remember that John skied four events at Vermont Academy—slalom, downhill, cross country, and jumping—and raced at Middlebury. In 1979, he began directing Craftsbury Outdoor Center's ski program. There, he developed an extensive trail system and started numerous ski programs for youth and adults, including the Bill Koch and summer training programs. John founded and organized the Craftsbury Marathon, one of the most popular ski marathons in the country. Today, winners of the Marathon receive the John Brodhead Award. John also founded the Craftsbury Nordic Ski Club, in 1997, modeled on the Scandinavian multigenerational ski training design. During his 38 years as director of the COC, John touched the lives of countless skiers in Vermont and beyond.

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Drew Otocka and Dave Tura hosted a golf and fly-fishing get-together for the Boys of '67 last October at the Wantastiquet Trout Club in Weston, Vt. Attendees included Rick Hawley, Peter Lebenbaum, Peter Kovner, Paul Ford, Gary Richardson, Jack Dickison, Pete Thaxter, Andy Avery, Jim Adams, Drew, and Dave. The golf was generally uninspired—and the fishing was worse due to cold, wind, and rain—but the company, the food and drink, and the story swapping were nonpareil. They're on again for this year, and they again extend invitations to all Midd Men classmates. Contact Dave at Dave.Tura@northeastmarketing.net. Their official name is still under some discussion so come add your voice. The grapevine has the current front runner being "MoSS." • And the boys send an invitation and a challenge to the Wof67: "We can meet with you '67 ladies for golf and/or lunch at Okemo. Please send me (Dave) your dates so we can reserve cabins in Weston for the same time this fall." Well, gals, do we assume the boys are too old for panty raids and let them know when and where we'll be? Invite them up for a back-to-the-beginning barn sing-along? Let Susie Davis Patterson know your ideas. • Our class made its best showing yet at Alumni College '19. Returnees Margot Childs Cheel, Lee Powers Smith, and Susie Patterson welcomed Charlie Mead, Robin Flint Ballenger, Anne Daignault, and Helen Martin Whyte and husband Ross McIntyre. We all loved our classes and hanging out together at social hour and look forward to getting more classmates to join us. BTW, this year Alumni College is a week before Labor Day weekend, and since all classes were sold out last year, you best register as soon as you see the announcement in late April or early May, providing it is happening. (The College is extremely generous and refunds your money if you genuinely have to back out later or if it's canceled.) On Sunday evening after Alumni College, Anne Daignault pulled many of us still in the area together for dinner at the Waybury Inn. That's destined to become a class tradition so plan on staying over on Sunday evening this year and joining Rick Hawley, Robin Ballenger, Margot Cheel, Gary Margolis, Susie Patterson, Karl Lindholm, and any spouses that can join us. • Gary Richardson writes that his roommate, Reto Morosani, passed away suddenly in early January at his beloved home overlooking the valley in Litchfield, Conn. "Reto and I were roommates at Chi Psi. He was in our wedding party in 1966, wearing, as always, his cowboy hat. (Perhaps he took it off in the church?) Reto and Polly Brooks were married for many years. He was devoted to his family and his family compound. I have many wonderful memories of Reto. He was one of a kind and will be greatly missed." • Skip Leonard expressed his sadness at Reto's loss and told

this remembrance. "After Midd, Reto and I ended up in grad school at NYU. He came in from his corporate job in Greenwich for evening classes, while earning the highest starting salary of anyone—a little over $10,000! Neither of us was known for being real talkers, but I remember many stimulating conversations after class as we downed our suds and pizza."
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Chris Diamond has launched his new book, *Ski Inc. 2020*, following his successful first book, *Ski Inc.,* published in 2016. Written with a colleague, *Ski Inc. 2020* follows the ongoing transformation of the ski resort industry. Chris is the former president of Steamboat in Colorado and Vermont's Mount Snow; he used his unprecedented access to all of the major players to explore and analyze the remarkable changes throughout the industry. To learn more, go to middmag.com, click on Review, and check the Editors' Picks for January/February. • Bob Friedman writes, "Wife Donna and I are still doing fine living in southeastern Massachusetts in cranberry country. It's a great place for my favorite sport of cycling and last summer I completed my 19th Pan Mass Challenge, a two-day 190-mile bike ride from Sturbridge to Provincetown to benefit the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. There were 6,800 riders and we raised 63 million dollars, by far the most ever in the 40-year history of this event. I had about my best average speed and in my 19 years, I have raised over $374,000. I'm still working part time in a substance use disorder clinic and I'm glad to say that I have about 125 patients and most of them are doing well. They are getting their lives back together again and I feel it's very good and important work. The clinic is not too nice aesthetically and the neighborhood is not the best, but we do the best we can. I tell my friends that I used to be like a prizefighter with a pretty nice office and medical practice and now I am like a wrestler in an old gym. But we are helping people one at a time and we are going to keep doing this for a while. Addiction medicine is a whole new specialty and I'm glad to be able to learn about it and take part in this effort." • Ben Gregg reports that he and wife Susan took a trip to Florida last February, and while there, spent a great afternoon in Punta Gorda with Frank Adshead and wife Gail, North Shetter and wife Jan, and Tee Winstead. A few days later, they traveled to Estero/Fort Myers and visited with some friends known since fourth grade, including our 1968 classmate Sam Levin and wife Pat. Ben and Susan were also excited to spend Christmas in Lawrence, Kan., with daughter Sara '97 and her family! They spend grandkids' birthdays and other times in Kansas and also will be taking them to South Africa and two places in Zambia in June. Ben writes, "Our grandson will be 11 and our granddaughter will be 9, and *everyone* is excited about the trip!" • Gail Hyde and one of her hammered dulcimer ensembles have just cut their first (and probably last) CD. The group, Resonance, includes five hammered dulcimer players with a few other instrumentalists on guitar, Scottish small pipes, accordion, and bodhran. Gail reports that the process was long and agonizing, but at least they now have a CD to share with families and friends. • North Shetter writes, "We are alive and well. Summer in Menominee, Mich., winter in Punta Gorda, Fla. We are close to Gail and Frank Adshead in Florida. I'm still boating, flying, golfing, and writing dental articles. Sending good wishes to all of our class." • A reminder that the Class of 1968 Scholarship Fund is ongoing—we are supporting a young woman from Massachusetts. She thanks us for our support as she explores all of the possibilities offered to her at Middlebury. For example, she joined the cross-country and track teams and earned the title of an All-American! • Please send us your news—we are always so glad to hear from you!
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Through holiday correspondence, it's clear that many of us are busy with travel, book groups, grandchildren, political activism, writing, volunteering, skiing, and even skating! Since these notes were collected before any stay-at-home orders, classmates were still quite active! • Connie Coffin Carter is still involved in her wonderful efforts with students in Maine through Operation Breaking Stereotypes. As I (Anne) write, she and her husband are in Australia from whence she reports, "We loved Sydney, soaked in the young vibe in Melbourne, absorbed the amazing MONA in Hobart, and are now at Uluru learning as much as possible about the aboriginal culture before we head to Perth to spend a week with our AFS son from 10 years ago. What an incredible continent!" • Greg Lewis's very clever allegory for all ages has found an editor. *Chasing Wonder,* an 80-page epic journey of a red-hatted oyster spurned for his differences, started as a story for his two-year-old granddaughter some six years ago and has regaled a number of us since his sharing post-Reunion. Keep your eyes open for this one. It IS a wonder. • Digit Tripp Taylor continues to head the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program in New Hampshire, which does important work just as its title suggests, assisting communities all over the state to preserve, protect, and/or restore the special resources of New Hampshire. She enjoyed walking coast to coast on Hadrian's Wall in England last summer. • Retired from teaching after 15 years at Essex High School, Dave Brautigam is busy volunteering as president of the nonprofit Camels Hump Nordic Ski Area (CHNSA), which maintains about 40 kilometers of trails in the foothills of Vermont's iconic mountain. CHNSA is a spin-off of the commercial x-c area Dave started 40 years ago. The nonprofit has one of Vermont's finest networks of trails—mostly laid out by Dave—with his mustering support for trail maintenance and grooming from the nearly 100 members. Son August (35), when not competing in marathons (he has won both San Francisco and San Diego), is an engineer in Reno and by this printing should have welcomed Dave's fourth grandchild. Noah '12 is on the U.S. "sky-running" team and competed at the world championships in Scotland and also got married last summer. Dave and longtime partner, Missy Bongartz Ross '79, live in Hinesburg. • Ginny Hopper Hoverman still does corporate consulting, primarily in team building and communications. She has recently facilitated Crucial Conversations and Crucial Accountability presentations in several states and reports that she still enjoys the work! We would love to have more specifics to share. • Please send us your news so we can keep up the great connections we made and renewed at our fantastic Reunion last year.
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REUNION CLASS These notes were collected for a January 10 deadline, back before any stay-at-home orders, when classmates were all still very active! • Susan Parlow sent us this news: "In June of this year I will complete a certificate as a spiritual director—bringing closure to my career as a psychologist, psychoanalyst, psychotherapist, and couples' counselor. I am also now working on the psychology of climate change and biodiversity—my new passion as I hope it is for most of us! I divide my time between New York City (where I still maintain a private practice) and the country in central New York, where my veterinarian fiancé (will we ever get married?) has an animal hospital and a farm. We are busy increasing the wildlife-friendliness of that land—encouraging bees, birds, bats, deer, opossum, and otters, at least, to hang out with us. We have dogs and I ride horses. We traveled north to Yellowknife and Cambridge Bay this winter to see musk oxen and have a four-day dogsledding trip! My sister and extended family have all gone to Middlebury! She lives part time in Weybridge now and keeps the Middlebury flame burning. We are all very fond of the Middlebury life—I am grateful to have gone there." • Lynn Wilson sent this update: "The biggest news of last year was my first grandchild, Kai, was born on August 14 in Oakland, Calif. He's done a fair amount of traveling already to see relatives in Vancouver, BC, the big island of

Hawaii, and Palo Alto. His passport already has some stamps in it! I had rotator cuff surgery in early May, which slowed me down for quite a while. I got to go to two weddings in a sling (a sartorial challenge) but am now pain and rehab-free. My husband, Mike, and I went to Tanzania in October. Our trip with National Geographic was built around the great migration of wildebeest and zebras in the Serengeti. We were gone for three weeks and had an amazing time. The camera equipment of the others on the trip was impressive; I had an IPhone and Mike had a Canon Powershot with a 50X zoom. We managed to get great photos and had more time to view the animals. We did invest in good binoculars, which turned out to be an excellent idea." • **Liz Rhodes Jenzen** sent a quick and happy announcement: "Doug and I are celebrating the birth of our first grandchild, Isabelle Madison Jenzen, born January 9!" • **Anne Keiser** writes: "My husband, Doug Lapp, and I continue to enjoy retirement, although as a photographer, it's hard to ever fully retire especially as travel is a high priority in our lives. The same also applies to documenting our combined families of four stepkids and eight grandchildren either locally or as they travel the world with us. Last June, Doug and I ventured far north to the High Arctic for an expedition that gave us a front row seat to many of the climate issues in the area. We sailed around the Svalbard Archipelago, Norway; ventured over to Greenland; and ended up in Iceland. It's one thing to read or see news coverage of the challenges the Arctic faces, but experiencing them firsthand raised our concern of climate change to a new level. Here, despite what's going on in Washington, D.C., life for us is good and busy. We focus on involvement with nonprofit institutions that are working to make the world a better place. We both continue singing with the Choral Arts Society of Washington, thankful for the role music plays in our lives. And we treasure our time at our log cabin retreat in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia." • **Al Perry** reports: "I was thrilled to join classmates **Rob Apple**, **Randy Rowland**, and **Jeff Sturges** in the annual Kelly Brush Foundation Ride last September 7. In the spirit of holding off 'Old Man Syndrome' (but show mature wisdom), we opted for the 50-miler versus the century distance on a beautiful Vermont day. To extend the joy, Rob and I headed out on a long-planned motorcycle trip thru northern Vermont, Canada, Maine, and the White Mountains. Back here in Fresno, I'm looking forward to leading two more Honor Flights (our 21st and 22nd). We're now at 1,440 WWII, Korean, and Vietnam vets honored since 2013 with a three-day all-expenses paid trip to D.C. to see monuments in their honor." • **Jack Rudnick** writes, "My news is the start of a Southern migration to Southport, N.C. I have two or three years left at the Innovation Law Center at Syracuse Univ., then to a downsized home in Skaneateles and a cottage in Southport. At least that's my retirement plan." • **Tena Rodgers Boehm** sent this quick update: "Friends, children, grandchildren, walking, hiking when in the mountains, pilates, playing lots of bridge, some but probably not enough volunteering, enjoying my life. I will help locally in Vero Beach, Fla., with the national presidential campaign."

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By the time you read this update, submitted in early spring, we all should know more fully the consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic. In March, as we had just begun hunkering down, an email chain began circulating among classmate volunteers planning our 50th Reunion. Here are some excerpts that give a sense of where we were in the early days of this adventure: **M'ryka Hall-Beyer** in Calgary wrote, "The snow is still falling here but the sun is shining. On a walk in the park today I passed at least 40 people and 10 dogs. Most days I would see maybe two. I was in Seattle at the end of February, but have shown no ill effects and got safely back in plenty of time not to be worried. Here at home I have become adept at running meetings and 'coffee time' with friends on Zoom. My son, Ian '94, was spirited out of France by his company a scant few minutes after the Europe ban. He and his family are now home in Kansas and self-quarantined. I am keeping better tabs on some old friends locally and learning how to record worship services for broadcast from church. In the meantime a SLOW housecleaning seems to be the thing to do." • **Judith Irving**, from her farm in Brookfield, Vt., said, "We have been on total lockdown for over a week now. Chief challenge at this point is figuring out how to handle our business, which, like so many others, is going to go into a deep crisis. But when you have been running a small business for years, crises happen, though probably none as big as this one. We are reading to our grandchildren over the phone and walking with friends, watching early spring try to take hold. They say you are supposed to be cooking and eating a lot of desserts, so that's next on the list. We've started a neighborhood support group of 25 or so families, doing shopping for those who shouldn't." • **Obie Benz** in Manhattan reported, "We're all healthy and isolated here in New York, not overlapping with anyone for at least 14 days and, after that, tentatively and only with people who have made the same choice and have the good judgment to obey all the safety rules. Just so that no one feels that we're just engaging in an exercise, here is the post of a filmmaker friend. She's the only person I know who has tested positive. The 50-year-old friend posted this today: *I have COVID-19. Was hospitalized March 17, unable to breathe. Pneumonia set in. I'm at Mount Sinai in the care of their infectious disease team. My symptoms began March 10—sudden fever, dry cough, exhaustion, chills, congestion in nose and chest. I stayed home for one week but my symptoms worsened. My doctor sent me to the hospital for evaluation and they admitted me. I'm in a quarantine unit. It's scary and isolating. Doctors and nurses come in with protective gear. No visitors, no flowers—nothing can come in. I have no clue where I got it. Be safe everyone—this is very real.* So, stay safe, everyone. This will pass. I'm deeply concerned for people's economic welfare. Many people are being deeply hurt." • From Newburyport, Mass., **Sandy Farrier** responded, "Obie, the email from your friend was the most sobering account that my wife, Karen (a nurse and biotech drug safety expert), and I have read since this thing began. Your friend's note should be required reading for anyone who continues to doubt the seriousness of the virus. Give your friend a virtual hug from those of us who admire her candor and who wish her a full recovery." • **Joan Kerrigan** in Washington, D.C., wrote, "Thank you, Obie. Your friend is a powerful witness to the reality of our challenge. I hope she gets through it. I worry about the health of our nurses, doctors, hospital staff, maintenance folks who have to do the deep cleaning, and so many more who work through this crisis without the protection they need. Spring has arrived in D.C. (along with tree pollen that makes my nose run and rates me suspicious looks from people when I'm out for a walk)." • **Louise Boyd Cadwell** in Weybridge, Vt., said, "Thank you all for the notes, thoughts and connections, and photos. Ashley '70 and I are homebound, working on projects, walking every day, keeping very distant from everyone. We did order a pizza from trying-to-stay-alive Flatbread last night. You pay on the phone, call when you get there, and someone puts pizza in the back of your car. Love to all of you out there in distant-socializing land." • **Mike Kintner** in Cincinnati reported, "We are fortunately all well and following public health directives. Having two 13-year-olds in the house who have been out of school and sports for two weeks and counting has its challenges. Now we are into morning kick (soccer) and distance training (track). Spending time and money trying to flip the Senate and working to keep area artists, musicians, dancers, and the arts community safe and economically protected. Now, what do you do with a golden retriever and a puppy Bernese? My three- mile walks just don't cut it." • **Lou "Spider" Mills** replied from Seattle, "Michael Kintner, my suggestion to avoid dog boredom, then shoe-chewing with young and middle-age labs: Get thee to a stream, pond, lake, river every morning. Get said dog excited. Throw ball or item in water, repeat. Good luck and stay well." • **Ken Remsen** in Vergennes, Vt., wrote, "It is certainly a challenging time for all. May everyone stay safe and healthy. We have had three very different months so far in 2020. We spent January in Colorado with family and had a month of beautiful skiing. Then home for a couple of weeks in February before heading to Costa Rica with a church mission group to build a couple of homes. Now our travel is limited to moving from one room to another while making sure to get out each day for a run, a bike ride, or a walk." • **Gay Mann Folland**

sent this: "Greetings from my shabby little castle in Conway, N.H. I've been mostly housebound since a January 30 rotator cuff surgery, so I'm not feeling too different with social distancing. I've done a lot of listening to audio books, including a Joe Gunther mystery novel by Archer Mayor, with a chase scene at the Mahaney Arts Center on campus! Glad the spring weather is slowly coming, so I can at least do some walking on dry pavement." • **Suzanne Webel** in Colorado said, "We're holed up on our farm in the plains north of Boulder. We board a half-dozen horses and raise hay for them and a few regular customers. This year we have suffered an invasion of elk for the first time. Beautiful animals, but destructive in large numbers (more than 150 in our case), stripping the bark and killing the hundreds of trees we planted decades ago, breaking into our hay barn, eating our entire fruit crop in one night, and smashing through fences. I've tried all the nonlethal actions available, to no effect. What's left—culling? hunting? hazing? contraception? My husband, Ray, is phasing into retirement from his career as a computer geek/rocket scientist. Son Colin and his fiancée, both entrepreneurs, are in lockdown in LA. Daughter Claire '12 is a family medicine doc in Denver who specializes in underserved populations—a demographic that under the best of circumstances gets little health care until it's an emergency. This pandemic is leaving that community flat-footed and Claire's hospital (like many around the country) is without enough personal protection equipment. So I offered to make some masks for her hospital from the many fabric remnants I've weirdly saved over many decades." (Suzanne attached a mask pattern in her email.) • **Louise Cadwell** responded, "Suzanne, your elk invasion sounds like a nightmare. And thank you for the pattern! I just heard from a friend that she was starting to make masks. I will join the mask-maker group." • **Laurie Miner Cox** in Ripton, Vt., wrote, "I have been thinking about the Class of 1970 (who may have to join us next year since Reunion is canceled). Fifty years ago the College also shut down, although the reasons were very different and we stayed on campus. Strange bookends for them." • **Obie Benz** sent an update: "My friend is recovering, though still troubled. She writes, *My dear friends. Thank you for your love and support. I am home after five days in the COVID unit, still struggling to breathe. I'm trying to love my tiny shallow breaths. When I love them, I'm not as scared. It's good to be home in my own bed without beeping noises and my blood drawn at 4 a.m. My doctors say COVID pneumonia is a very slow recovery.*" • **Hector Griswold** replied, "Obie, that's terrific news. Unfortunately, it will be a while until this passes. I fear for those in the medical and other professions that have to go to work daily, not knowing what they will be facing." • **Churchill Franklin** wrote, "I have a good deed to suggest. Instead of buying books from Amazon, give a thought to Becky Dayton, longtime Cornwall resident and neighbor who owns and runs the Vermont Book Shop in downtown Middlebury. With disruption due to the railroad bridge replacement, downtown merchants are struggling. This virus, as you might expect, is not exactly helping. Becky runs a creative and inviting store. I buy all my books from her. It's actually easier than Amazon! Give it a try at vermontbookshop.com." • **Ann Einsiedler Crumb** reported, "Like all of you, Dick '69 and I are at home—planning our garden, catching up on projects, and walking often. We generally get away this time of year for a ski trip and visits to our kids. Postponed for another time. It is very quiet here in Middlebury without students—peaceful, yes, but hard on local businesses. We've been trying to help as best we can by buying local (online or telephone) and purchasing gift certificates to help cash flow now and to enjoy when things are better. Be healthy and thanks again for volunteering and sharing." • **Peter Wood** in Brunswick, Maine, wrote, "Like many of you, Ellen and I are trying to support our local stores: she just picked up some goodies from Wild Oats in Brunswick and books from the Gulf of Maine Book Store; we prepaid 20 visits for Jeb at doggie day care when they reopen; bought ourselves a gift card for Gelato Fiasco; prepaid the kennel for the next time we take a trip. It has been great to read how everyone is doing what they can to help in this time of need."

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Bruce Brennan and wife Louise (Gentry) '71 are still living on Capitol Hill, five blocks from where the impeachment proceedings took place. With both retired now, they do move about a bit, getting to New Hampshire for a good part of the summer, where they see **David** and Corky Hulswit '73 **Klimczak** and **Bob** and Kathy Wonson '73 **Eddy,** and spending their other time gardening in Louise's childhood home in the Shenandoah Valley, where 200 peonies and 100 lilacs bloom. When in D.C., Bruce stays busy as a board member of Capitol Hill Village, an "aging in place" membership organization, while Louise offers writing consulting to high school seniors during their college application process (no photoshopping!). Two of their three kids are also living on the Hill, so they get to see them—and two delightful grandkids, too.

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We're so sorry to share the news that we lost two classmates this past fall. **Kit Parker**, of Camden, Maine, passed away in September after a long struggle with multiple sclerosis. Her obituary notes, "After college she remained in Vermont where she worked at *Fly Fisherman* magazine and later was a cofounder of *Fly Rod & Reel* magazine in 1979. In 1983 the magazine was purchased by Down East Enterprise, the owner of *Down East* magazine, which brought Kit to Maine. Kit worked for the company for 30 years and held the positions of circulation director, controller, marketing director, and finally publisher of *Down East*, *Fly Rod & Reel*, and *Shooting Sportsman* magazines before her retirement." Kit's wide-ranging interests in local history, genealogy, kayaking, needlecrafts, gardening, politics, and current events are shared as well as the fact that she was well loved. • Then in November **Mansfield "Chip" Williams** passed away from pancreatic cancer. Chip, who graduated with a degree in religion and philosophy and later attained a PhD in genetic forestry and an MBA, held different jobs in research, forestry, real estate, teaching statistics, and investments and pursued many different interests from sports to travel to community service. He was a true product of his liberal arts education and is remembered warmly by all who knew him. Our sincere sympathies go to both Kit's and Chip's families and friends. Both obituaries are posted on our class Facebook page. • It must have been a quiet fall for '73ers, so in the absence of other good news I (**Lindy**) can report that during summer travels to Seattle and Alaska to visit our kids, I got to see two classmates I hadn't seen in quite some time: **Sue Karl Teller**, who lives in Alaska, and **Robin Cruise** in Seattle. Both are still working, looking young, vibrant, and happy, and it was so fun to reconnect with walks and talks and realize we and our relationships hadn't changed much at all these past 50 years. Ditto that for a visit with **Kathy Wilson,** my freshman roommate and close friend, in New York City during the NYC Marathon weekend, where we cheered on my daughter and **Ria Torres Murphy**'s daughter and 51,000 other marathoners. • A couple of mini-reunions were held last year on the East Coast: the one in Boston was attended by **Sage Russell**, **Nancy Piepul Stevens**, **Ria Murphy**, **Marcy Dunning**, **Kathryn Winsberg**, **Lesley Cadman**, **Kit Adams Miller**, **Mary Farley**, **Sally Cortes Dorr**, and **Tutu Dale**. Another mini-reunion was held in Islesboro, Maine. **Betsy Benware Sessions** shared her home with the Batt North dormmates who could be there in September: **Jeannie Northrup Burditt**, **Ria Murphy**, **Deborah Shinn**, **Loring Starr**, **Jay Aronson**, **Kris Bye Strandness**, and me (**Lindy**). Jay's postscript to that otherwise wonderful gathering shares, "I am grateful to write that I received excellent emergency medical care after I broke my right wrist from my fall while skipping rocks at a low tide beach on the morning of our departure. Members of our group got me to the clinic on Islesboro, drove my car off island via ferry, and followed the ambulance to the hospital in Camden, where I had my wrist set, and then drove me as far as Sturbridge, Mass., where my partner met us and got me back to Canaan, N.Y. The next part of my medical saga is that three days later I

had surgery at Berkshire Medical Center with orthopedic surgeon Ashley Miller. It was not until I was having my discharge appointment after Thanksgiving that in conversation with Dr. Miller I learned we are both Middlebury alums. He is a member of the Class of 2009. I'm grateful that we have among our alumni excellent medical caregivers for those of us who are approaching our 50-year Reunion." It's during these experiences and visits that we get closer than we were even during our years in college. And while gathering we always share our favorite books. • **Lisa Donati Mayer**'s idea to compile a list of '73ers recommended literary and nonfiction titles is taking hold, and we will have posted it on our class's Facebook page by the time you read this. Please email either Lisa or Lindy if you have books you'd like to add and if you would like us to send you a copy of the list. It will be an ongoing project, and we'll take any suggestions for easier formatting or organization you have. And please, do send in your news! We'd all love to hear from you.

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These notes were collected in early January, well before any of us knew about COVID-19 and the changes it would bring to our lives. • **Tim Katzman** provided a distilled update of his past four decades: "I joined the Hotchkiss School faculty in 1981, teaching American history and political science and developing nations courses. I also established a student exchange program between South African schools and New England boarding schools as apartheid withered. In June 1996 and following a sabbatical, I left Hotchkiss for California, accepting a position with the San Diego Padres, serving in a number of capacities including special assistant to the president, director of fan services, and finally, director of corporate communications. I was appointed to the board of the MLB-Dominican Republic Development Alliance, implementing social responsibility initiatives in the DR. I left baseball in 2009 and became an administrator at Francis Parker School (San Diego), running the summer/extended day programs, with a component being an outreach effort that invited Chinese students to a summer language and cultural immersion program. Along the way, I earned an MAT from the University of St. Thomas (St. Paul, Minn.) and received a Klingenstein Institute Fellowship from Teachers College, Columbia Univ. I retired from Francis Parker in 2018, yet guessed I might have some tread remaining on my professional tires; accordingly, I accepted an educational consulting gig with Shang Learning, based in Beijing and Shanghai. In an effort to fill remaining daylight hours, I decided to coteach a course in the sports MBA program at San Diego State Univ. My door is open to Midd folks who find themselves in Southern California, intentionally or unintentionally." • **Joan Lapham** lived in Jackson, Wyo., for 41 years, where she worked as a personal trainer, taught yoga, and raised two children. In December 2017, she up and moved to Bend, Ore. Both Bend and Jackson are in valleys surrounded by mountains, and although Bend is five times bigger, you can find community wherever you are. Not surprisingly, Joan has found hers among Bend's skiers and other outdoor enthusiasts. • **Kate Peterson Burr** writes that she and husband Chris '73 are into their official retirement from Noble and Greenough School (15 and 9 years respectively). "We are busy and happy. I've been able to make more frequent trips to visit my family in Minnesota and was thrilled to catch up with **Daria Stec** in October. She and I were high school classmates—it's a joy to have a long arc of friendship with each other. Topping that are **Tim Katzman**, whom I met in sixth grade, and **Rob McCallum**, probably in seventh grade. On their behalf (and **Tom Stillman**'s), I'm considering writing a cultural perspective about Minnesota, primarily the intersection of pond hockey and ice fishing. We had lunch recently with **Eric Shapiro** and got the best 'chalk talk' ever on retirement and how to go about it. Shaps is constantly on the go: visiting family, friends, former coworkers, taking classes, going to concerts, and traveling internationally. He hopped into a van with Brendan Buckley '73, at the drop of a feather, for a cross-country drive and a trip through the Grand Canyon. Wow, he is amazing, indefatigable. Can't stress enough how impressed we were with him!" • It's good that Kate included news of **Eric Shapiro** because his update was about his four kids, of whom he is justifiably proud. On the 10th anniversary of Haiti's devastating earthquake, *CBS This Morning* featured Shaps' eldest son Conor '03 and St. Boniface Hospital, which he runs. Google it—it's a powerful video. Eric's daughter Meghan lives in Fanwood, N.J., has three little ones and a PhD in clinical psychology. Joe lives in Brooklyn and teaches history at a private school in Manhattan. Guy, his miracle child originally from Haiti, is a college grad, lives in Boston, and works for a big industrial HVAC company. Four kids, seven grandkids—life is very, very good. He says, "I had dinner with Mud (**John Waters**) a few weeks ago and lunch with **Kate Burr** last week. It's the best keeping up with my pals." • **Kerry McInnis** wrote from Australia that, as of mid-January, she and Mike hadn't been directly impacted by this season's horrendous wildfires. However, she said, "Three years ago, we were well and truly toasted. Though we didn't lose our house, the fires took pretty much everything else on the land—garage, sheds, tractor, water tanks, and worst of all, my 35-year-old garden! And though the bush around us is still pretty bare from that bushfire, there is still much to burn. Things got pretty hairy this past November, when a huge fire was just 10 kilometers away, but it suddenly turned and went off towards the coast. It is pretty horrific, I have to say. The smoke has been bloody awful, and everyone is feeling pretty sick." In a long-planned move, not a response to the bushfires, Mike and Kerry are in the process of shifting away from their land to three acres in a nearby village, where they will each have studios behind their house. Kerry still does a bit of contract art conservation work at the National Library of Australia, although she sold her conservation business some years ago. "The rest of the time I seem to be dealing with natural disasters (we had two major floods after the bushfire three years ago) and my own art practice. I'm exhibiting my work in Sydney, and that gallery's demands keep me busy, as do various portrait commissions." Check out Kerry's website: kerrymcinnis.com.

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REUNION CLASS I know classmates are disappointed that we won't be able to gather together on campus for Reunion in June. Your class Reunion team had worked hard on making a fun and meaningful weekend for you. Let's hope we can meet again some time in the near future. Meanwhile, stay safe and healthy!

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These notes were collected for a January 10 deadline before stay-at-home orders were in place, and classmates were very active. **Pam Marsh** sent word from Middlebury: "I am pleased to report that I've been married to my husband Larry, who I met in 1975 on a Bread Loaf Section hike, for 38 years now. We have two children and two grandchildren. He's now retired, and I am still working in my small law firm in Middlebury. We both play in the Middlebury Wind Ensemble, where Larry plays saxophone and I play flute. We regularly see Karen Massey '74 and a bunch of former Middlebury students who have settled in the Middlebury area. **Kevin Commins** lives nearby. We see Alexandra Baker, my Russian professor, frequently." • We received the sad news of the passing of classmate **Larry Hertzberg** last summer. Here is an excerpt from his obituary: Dr. Lawrence Edward Hertzberg died in Forsyth, Ga., on August 26, 2019, after an unexpected and brief battle with cancer. He was a loving husband and father of three children; at his passing he was the medical director of CSI Laboratories, a national cancer diagnostic laboratory in Alpharetta, Ga. His family and colleagues miss him terribly. His colleagues knew him as a fierce advocate for patients and for timely and accurate diagnoses. The lives of the people whose diagnoses came from his desk were as important to Larry as his own. Larry loved skiing, swimming, movies, watching sports, and eating good food with his family and friends. He was ready with his opinions and enjoyed debate and discussion with all comers; his jovial nature came from less divided times. Larry was a gifted storyteller who could make oft-repeated stories enjoyable every time. He is survived by

his wife, Shen Lin, his three children, grandchildren, and extended family. • **Peter Minowitz** continues to teach political philosophy at Santa Clara University (in the heart of Silicon Valley), and he's still moonlighting as a jazz pianist. In addition, he has been writing more about contemporary controversies. Via Google, you can find his online pieces. • From Connecticut, **Christi Rentsch Moraga** wrote that she is busy in retirement: "I go to the Wadsworth Atheneum about three times a week and love it. I prepare events for the Alliance Française de Hartford. Among others, one of our popular ones was on Rochambeau. And I read lots of books for the Americas Book Award. In these organizations, I am grateful for stimulating conversation with interesting people who are passionate about what they do. And I lost my cat Toasted Marshmallow for 30 days last September. He wandered off as a teenager cat and came back an adult, five pounds heavier (from 8 up to 13 pounds!). His bits of toast had turned into caramel. He hiked for almost seven miles right along Route 66 and then was found by a family who posted his photo on Facebook. I am so happy to have my feline friend back because he is soft and loves to be petted; however, he is on a diet." • Please drop us a line about your latest news; folks appreciate hearing from classmates.

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77 Happy Spring, Class of '77. Hope you are all enjoying the start of a new season—and one without mud or flies. This is my periodic request for news about yourselves, family, other classmates, and whatever else you might like to share—that would be column appropriate. Three years since Reunion and zero years to Medicare, surely, there are changes to be noted. Otherwise, the next step is one-on-one news solicitation and who needs another spammer in their lives? • I did hear from **Sue Kenyon**. She writes, "Greetings! I'm happy to report that my new husband, Tim Troy, and I 'eloped' in August and had a lovely private ceremony right across the Vermont border at the West Mountain Inn in Arlington, Vt. Tim and I met at ballroom dance lessons over four years ago and are happy to now be dance partners in life. We live at the old homestead in Cambridge, N.Y., that I've called home now for 29 years. Tim is enjoying becoming part of this great community and I'm glad he was willing to start putting his roots down here with me. We are both looking forward to retiring in the next few months. Tim will be setting aside the world of computer programming and I'll be happy to conclude my tenure as a public high school earth science and environmental science teacher at the end of this school year. We look forward to being able to enjoy lots of activities that we haven't had time for and joining the ranks of the newly retired."

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78 Belated congratulations to **Beth Warfield**, who last May received the 2018 Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Service for her "sustained extraordinary accomplishments" over three decades of distinguished work at the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). This is the first time since 2011 that the president has bestowed the Presidential Award to USAID's Senior Foreign Service, of which Beth is a member. She is currently the USAID Mission Director in Mexico and has served in Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Well done! • Our class extends its condolences to the family and friends of **Jonathan Ratila**, who died on November 28, 2019. A history major at Middlebury, and a fourth-generation Finnish American, Jon was a journalist and historian and served as the business manager of the Finnish American newspaper *Rajvaaja*, for which he also wrote, from 1984 through 2009. Jon also worked as a curator at the Finnish Cultural Center at Fitchburg State College, where he played a key role in saving much of the Finnish American materials that were housed there prior to its closing. A lifelong resident of Fitchburg, Mass., Jon was actively involved in the community, serving at the Finnish American Club of Saima, as a trustee at Fitchburg Public Library, as a Collections Committee member at Fitchburg Historical Society, and as a member of American Federation of Musicians—Local 173. He also played a mean trombone and was a member of several local bands.

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79 Please send me your news! I'd love to hear from you.

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80 **REUNION CLASS** It's hard to believe classmates won't be traveling back to campus for our much-anticipated 40th Reunion. We had a lot of great plans for the weekend. We were going to have an après ski party after our class dinner on Friday night. With music, refreshments, and décor to fit out our 1980 class exclusive party, we planned to ask you to bring (and wear) your après ski hat that you received for donating this year. We weren't going to require you to bring your goggles, ski sweater, and mittens—but you could have! • We heard from many classmates as we prepared for Reunion. **Marjorie Williams Vandenberg** attended her first-ever Reunion for our 35th and vowed never to miss another. Hopefully she'll be at the next one! • **Andy Nestler**, **Eric Kemp**, **Paul Scheufele**, and **Roger Nicholas** had their own mini-reunion in Vail last July as part of an impressive Midd contingent at the annual Vail Lacrosse Shootout. (See the photo on our FB page.) Roger made it there all the way from Germany. • **Jen Gluck**, **Adrienne Harper Magida**, **Betsy Keller Forrester**, **Alison De Laney Granger**, **Kate Mooney**, **Kathy Kohlbry**, **Karen Mayfield Seymour**, and **Susie Estes Wolter** have continued their annual Midd winter weekend reunions in Vermont, keeping the Midd spirit and warm vibes even in the coldest months (see photo on FB page). • **Rob Ackerman** had an off-Broadway show recently, directed by Theresa Rebeck, author of four Broadway plays and creator of the TV series *Smash* with Stephen Spielberg. *Dropping Gumballs on Luke Wilson* is a documentary play that takes place on the set of an iconic TV commercial in which a legendary film director puts a movie star's life in the hands of a very nervous props guy. The theater calls it "a humorous and ultimately disturbing account of power in the workplace." In other words, a very funny story until it's not. Rob continues his multidecade work at *SNL* and continues to bring his creativity to light in new ways. • We'll miss seeing everyone on campus in June. Meanwhile, let's stay connected on the Middlebury Class of 1980 Facebook page!

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81 These class notes came in before we had any stay-at-home orders and classmates were still able to get out! • **Kim Stieve Plough** still lives in California, where she is the CFO of an independent school. She has two girls—Avery, who is working in public health and traveling the world, and Kelsey, who is a senior at St. Mary's and managing the women's rugby team. Kim enjoys hiking in the lovely wooded place in the California hills where she lives with husband Dave. • **Lynda Dupre** celebrated her 60th birthday by skiing 60 days (downhill) outside of Pennsylvania. She bought the Epic and Ikon pass and planned to see Midd folks, friends, and family in her journeys during the ski season. She has her own legal practice and has no plans to retire but does plan to work less, play tennis, and travel more. • Here's **Bruce Morehouse**'s update. "I'm astonished, as I'm sure you are too, that I now recount the passage of time in increasingly large fractions of a century, e.g., 'I can't believe I met you almost half a century ago.' I look with envy at those of you who have retired and then calculate the years required to achieve a similar state of financial existence. Home for my wife and me is in semirural Maine, where I'm a computer nerd working in slippers, and she in the forest industry. Once or twice a week I find myself huffing and puffing on a field as I attempt to get open and catch the disc in a game of Ultimate (Frisbee). I honestly believe that if our politicians had grown up playing Ultimate they would realize that life is not a zero sum game, thank you, Professor Olinick, and that cooperation improves quality of life far better than an attitude of 'If you win, I lose.' Plus, Ultimate is just a great way to simultane-

ously be outside, spend time with folks of various ages, keep my cardio up, and get high on endorphins. Death, disease, and sadness, we've all been around them, are more than offset with new life, growth, friends, loving relationships, and the mysterious thrill in again seeing the sliver of the moon gracing the cool of an early fall evening." • **Cecily Chilton Matthai** is embracing her 60th with a couple of new joints and is still enjoying racquet sports and hiking. Husband Bruce and Cecily live in Baltimore, Md., where she has her own business helping people organize, downsize, and simplify. Their three 20-somethings have gone West—a CNW (midwife) in Idaho, an NICU nurse in Colorado, and a son in Navy SEAL training, California. • Oregon Shakespeare Festival Actors' Equity Assoc. member **Tyrone Wilson** was on the Middlebury campus Friday, November 8, to talk to students about his acting career. He received his Master of Fine Arts from Yale School of Drama. • A freelance cooking instructor, writer, and recipe developer, **Molly Stevens**'s most recent cookbook, *All About Dinner: Simple Meals, Expert Advice*, was published in the fall of 2019. Her previous cookbooks, *All About Braising* and *All About Roasting,* each won James Beard and IAXP cookbook awards. Molly lives near Burlington, Vt., and contributes frequent articles and recipes to national food publications. • **Holly McConnell Avery** can't believe it's been 40 years since we've lived, studied, and played on campus—she doesn't feel that old. Her two girls have flown the coop and are in Memphis and D.C., respectively. They're amazing, fun, smart, and assertive young ladies. Husband Mark has been a firefighter for 30 years and needs to retire. They are living on the New Hampshire seacoast and enjoy the close proximity to the ocean, lakes, White Mountains, and Boston. Work-wise Holly just finished five years with a scholastic test assessment company, writing science essay questions, meeting with state departments of education, and working with the company's database. She's now working for a business contractor, an interesting job with great people! • **Dawn Carleton Walters** is a retired professor of English at Vermont Technical College and now lives in Savannah, Ga. They moved south because they could not face retirement with so much snow! They have three children, all of whom are settled into their careers (licensed plumber, intellectual property lawyer, and neurosurgical physician's assistant), and one very new granddaughter. • **Chris Haskell** sent word that while he was on the slopes of Aconcagua, Argentina (22,841 feet), he ran into fellow Midd alum Charlotte Massey '18. Charlotte was in a climbing group with three other women and on a Watson Fellowship program learning about women's empowerment in the mountains. Chris was in a group with four other men, building on his successful summit of Kilimanjaro (19,341 feet) in June 2019. This was truly an epic adventure to the highest mountain in both the Southern and Western hemispheres! • How's your life?

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An update came from **Cathy Pherson Icenogle**: "I have never contributed to our class notes so thought maybe it was about time, especially as we move towards the big 6-0. After graduation in '82 I decided to try something different (for the summer) at a dude ranch in Saddlestring, Wyo. An anticipated short adventure turned into a lifelong change. I realized that quality of life was much more important than quantity. Experiencing life in the Bighorn Mountains, while taking on a few odd jobs and then settling in as a paralegal in Sheridan, I found Wyoming was such a peaceful, physical, and intellectually challenging world. After 20+ years, I decided to make a change from the legal world and moved to the oil and gas industry as a 'landman.' It's a big part of the world out here and there can truly be a balance between nature, wildlife, and being energy independent. Using my legal experience has been rewarding as well. Following a young love experience during the initial years in Wyoming, I found my true friend and love late in life and became a nontraditional mom at age 40 to Maddy, now 18, and Charlie, now 16. Being a grandmother to my husband Wes's daughter's kids is wonderful. Such a mix of generations but it is becoming more common, don't you think? Married almost 20 years and settled in Cody, Wyo., we are seeing Maddy about to start her college life at the University of Wyoming next fall. She is such a joy and has excelled in tennis as a two-time number one doubles champion in Wyoming (no field hockey here yet). Charlie will be a junior in the fall and has found lacrosse as his love (yes, even in Wyoming) as well as football. He's at 6'2" as a sophomore, and Mom is feeling like she is shrinking—ha, maybe she is at 59+! I love reading everybody's news. If you find yourself out in this area (50 miles from the east entrance to Yellowstone), please let me know at catitawyo@gmail.com. Take care!" • **Andy Sidford** writes, "We had a big bash at our Boston office (Andrew Sidford Architects) last year to celebrate 25 years in business. We are also working on a very fun project in downtown Portsmouth, N.H. We are converting an old YMCA building into a new cultural center for Portsmouth. It will combine the two-story jazz club on the upper floors and a new home for the Museum of New Art on the lower two floors. On a personal note, I am finally an empty-nester." • From **Diana Rotberg Bray** we heard, "After a year on the campaign trail, I have suspended my bid for the U.S. Senate, as I was unable to make the ballot. In Colorado, candidates for federal office must acquire 10,500 valid in-person signatures from the seven congressional districts to get on the primary ballot. In the best of times, it is nearly impossible for grassroots candidates. In the worst of times, a global pandemic upended all attempts to get in-person signatures. I am looking forward to spending time with my family, attending to our bees, chickens, and ducks, and continuing my focus on the climate emergency, Medicare for all, and social and environmental injustice." • Here's news from **Caleb Rick**: "Our company EcoGlobal is leading North American expansion of a manufacturing process that converts single-use plastics and flexible packaging into a variety of value-added, recyclable products and applications. **Michael Kountze** is our CFO, and we're grateful to have **Beth Stelluto Dunaier** as an advisor, and to have the help and support of Steve Gladstone '83, **RJ Hake**, Harriette Brainard '83, and Dave Cole '92. We've partnered with the Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation to plan, build, and operate a two-line facility in Edmonton, Alberta, and we're developing plans for multiple U.S. locations, including in Middlebury. Thanks to early support and encouragement from the town and College, we hope to headquarter our company and build a production facility on rail accessible land just north of the existing industrial park. Check us out at www.ekomats.com." • We are sad to share the news of the passing of our classmate **Carrie Markgraf Blum** on January 2. Carrie worked as a research scientist for the Sunovion Pharmaceutical Company in Marlborough, Mass. Previously she had been employed by the Merck Corp. in New Jersey and prior to joining Merck, she taught at the University of Texas in Houston. Her first teaching position was at the University of Miami from 1987 to 1993. Most recently Carrie had the distinguished honor of being appointed president of the Safety Pharmacology Society, where she held membership for the past 16 years. While residing in New Jersey, Carrie was a founding member of the New Jersey Brain Bee, an advocacy educational group to introduce and inspire children into the field of science. Condolences to Carrie's family and friends on behalf of our class.

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REUNION CLASS **Peter Eglinton** is celebrating the one-year anniversary of his open-heart surgery to repair an aortic aneurysm and an aortic valve. He is so grateful for advances in medicine, skilled surgeons and nurses, and the boundless support of family and friends. The

procedure went well and he feels stronger than ever. He looks forward to his two daughters graduating this year, one from college and the other from high school. Celebrating his 30th wedding anniversary in the fall will round things out nicely. He sends his healing thoughts and support to all those affected by COVID-19.
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Lee Hall Albern '57 sent a message about a project that took place at the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum in honor of daughter **Ann Albern Olmsted**. A photo and this blurb appeared in *Wooden Boat:* "Ann Albern Olmsted, a graduate of Middlebury College, was an avid runner, hiker, skier, and cyclist in Vermont. After her untimely death in 2017, her family commissioned the construction of *ANNIE O*, a 32-foot Cornish pilot gig, at the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum in Vergennes, Vt. Charlie Beyer and Nick Patch led 14 students from Middlebury Union and Vergennes Union High Schools in the project. They launched *ANNIE O* in May 2019." • People's United Bank recently announced that **Michael Boardman** had been appointed executive VP, head of wealth management and a member of the bank's management committee. He has 30 years of experience at large banks and financial institutions and most recently was EVP, head of U.S. wealth management at HSBC.
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REUNION CLASS Dear Classmates: We are all disappointed that our Reunion has been canceled. It is always a special time to visit together at Middlebury. Our Reunion chairs, **Michael Chorske**, **Greg Frezados**, and **Kristen Potter Farnham**, have expressed some thoughts: "First, we hope everyone is safe and healthy amidst this crisis. The decision to cancel Reunion is sad, but warranted. While we are disappointed that these campus gatherings won't happen as planned this year, we look forward to seeing you all in Middlebury for future gatherings and events. Thank you again for your commitment to our class, to this Reunion, and to our shared work. Stay safe and healthy!"
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These notes came in before the coronavirus took hold and stay-at-home orders were given. • **Bill Driscoll**, senior district president at Robert Half, expanded his area of responsibility effective January 1. In addition to Robert Half's Northeast technology staffing, digital marketing, and creative staffing services, Bill now also oversees all TSS operations in Illinois, Ohio, Indiana, Western Pennsylvania, and St. Louis. • **Katie Long Wainwright** writes, "I'm currently working at Ward Howell International, an executive search firm in NYC. My son, Jack, is a sophomore at Westminster (where I bump into **Ian Morton** and Banc Jones '92, who are also parents there), and my daughter, Lucy, is in seventh grade at the Chapin School. I have rented a house in Sharon, Conn., where I go most weekends and, because it's near Jack, I'm often over at Westminster to see his games. I also like to go up to Vermont to my mother's in Manchester to ski." • **Marcy Withington** says, "Tragically, I lost my husband to brain cancer (glioblastoma) on November 5, 2019, but was comforted by a December visit from Middlebury friends **Kate Moriarty Ryan**, **Elizabeth Emory Gabrys**, **Barb Woodbury**, and **Marybeth Dingledy**. On a brighter note, my oldest daughter is a freshman at Deerfield Academy and I continue to enjoy living and working in NYC." • After a stint in the Peace Corps, graduate school, and employment at the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, **Brian Nicholson** began a career in environmental consulting. In 2017 he and two partners started their own firm focusing on renewable energy. He lives in Salt Lake City with his wife, Allison, and two children, Liam and Morgan. He is always up for reconnecting with Midd folks, so drop him a line if you find yourself in Utah. • **Mark Ely**, who lives in Tiburon, Calif., was in Boston for business in late January. **Marc Bujold** came from his home in Stratham, N.H., and **Andrew Peach** came from his home in Marblehead, Mass., to meet Mark for dinner. • **Becky Castle** reports, "My news is that my husband, Bob Clark '89, and I started a farm in Shelburne, Vt., in 2013. We make Sisters of Anarchy Ice Cream and a number of classmates, including **Robin van Orman Azqueta** and **Rosaria Alfonso**, have been mail-order ice cream customers. People in the Northeast can look for us at events around New England. Our farm also sells berries and syrups to breweries in the region, including Allagash (thanks to **Rob Tod** for the intro). Outside of work, we are busy shuttling our three daughters—ages 16, 14, and 12—to sports and theater activities. If people find themselves near Burlington, let me know!" • **Junaid Jafar** writes, "I recently completed a 10-day holiday in Ethiopia with a group of friends on motorcycles—beautiful terrain and great riding country. I've now started working with Muhaidib Group in Saudi Arabia, which is an hour's commute each way from Bahrain, across the causeway." • I hope everyone stays safe and healthy in these strange times.
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Greetings from New York amidst the pandemic—**Dave** is hunkered down with his family on the Upper West Side and **Leslie** is doing the same in Westchester. The persistent uncertainty weighs on all of us, and it's been ever more important to enjoy the small pleasures in life, especially as spring blooms again. It has reoriented our priorities, our sense of time, and our definition of productivity. One friend recommended the Monterey Bay Aquarium jellyfish camera for meditation or just a soothing background when working from home—super cool! On the plus side, through the magic videoconferencing, many of us have spent some good time together, enjoying online drinks and catching up. We heard the Class of '97 had a group Peloton ride (motivated!), but video wine is our preference! • **Des Havlicek** writes that regular Zoom cocktails with a Midd crew, including **Nils von Zelowitz**, **Jake Donavan**, **Duke Beardsley**, **Rick Jenkins**, **David Hanlon**, and **Jon Bicknell** make the time that has passed since graduation melt away. Des and wife **Jen** (**Rowe**) live just south of Boston in Cohasset with their three kids, who are 20, 17, and 17. They see **Kendall Garey** locally, and **Erica Nourjian** when visiting Stowe. • While many jobs are in disarray, some folks are suddenly very much in demand, e.g., epidemiologists—enter **Annie Rimoin**, PhD, an infectious disease specialist, whose research focuses on emerging diseases, especially those crossing species from animal to human populations. Hence, you may have seen her on many local and national news broadcasts (and the Bill Maher show!), and even as part of a panel on MSNBC with Pete Buttigieg and Gen. Stanley McChrystal. She is the director of the Center for Global and Immigrant Health at UCLA, where she is heading up a study of COVID-19 transmissions among Los Angeles healthcare workers. Go, Annie! • **Dave** caught up with **Pete Steinle**, who, after 16 years at Kindred Partners (a technology talent search firm where he was a founding partner), moved to LightSpeed Ventures, a venture capital firm, as their partner running search efforts. He and wife Lila and daughters Ava (18) and Brooke (15) live in Marin County, Calif., and he stays fit playing in a men's hockey league. • **Mila Pavek** got married in October 2018 and lives in New Hampshire with her husband, two stepchildren, and two dogs. She is a project manager

in the IT department at Southern New Hampshire University—you may have seen the bus commercials. She left her a cappella group a few years ago but is getting her creative outlet from photography. • Many thanks for your updates, and **Dave** and I (**Leslie**) look forward to hearing from more of you. We hope you are all staying safe and healthy—look out for your friends and neighbors—we're all in this together!
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Gene Swift completed the Los Angeles Marathon on March 8—his seventh marathon in eight years—just days before the idea of 27,000 people doing anything together in public became a complete no-no. Nicholas Testa '95 was also somewhere in the crowd, but beyond a text message or two in the predawn at the starting point outside Dodger Stadium, he and Gene did not connect. • If you have any news you'd like to share with classmates, please send it to us!
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REUNION CLASS We know classmates must be disappointed that our long-awaited 25th Reunion isn't happening. We were hoping to gather on campus together to celebrate. Hopefully, we will have a chance to get together in the future. Stay safe and healthy, everyone!
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Please send me your news! Classmates want to know what you're up to.
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GRADUATE SCHOOLS

ARABIC SCHOOL

Reginald Hefner (MA '15, School of Hebrew '16–19) was recently appointed as lecturer of Japanese at York College of Pennsylvania, where he continues his duties also as lecturer of Arabic, Mandarin Chinese, and Modern Hebrew. After being rejected by the Middlebury Japanese School in 1982, he became by 1989 a Japanese-to-English interpreter at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and is currently working on a translation of Enchi Fumiko's *Shokutakunao no Ie*.

BREAD LOAF SCHOOL OF ENGLISH

Sacramento, Calif., poet **Kathryn Jerrell Hohlwein** (MA '53) recently did a poetry reading with daughter Laura and former Sacramento poet laureate Bob Stanley. The author of many books, she has taught in the English Departments of several colleges and universities, including the Beirut (Lebanon) College for Women, Ohio State Univ., and Calif. State Univ. in Sacramento. She has several teaching awards and the Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library of American Women at Harvard has requested her papers and letters for its permanent archive. • **Daniel Picker** (MA '92) writes, "My scholarly article, 'European Perspectives on John Updike,' appears in the fall 2019 issue of the *Irish Journal of American Studies*; my new poem, 'The Silver Lining of Stuart Little,' appears in the June 2019 issue of *Plough*, and my latest short story, 'First Spring Season,' appears in the May 2019 issue of the *Adelaide Literary Magazine*. Previously, I reviewed a biography, *Updike*, by Adam Begley for the *Sewanee Review* and a memoir, 'Time Pieces,' by John Banville for *Rain Taxi Review of Books*. A few of my travel articles have appeared in the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and more recently my short fiction has appeared in the *67th Street Scribe* of CUNY, the *Kelsey Review* in New Jersey, and the *Abington Review* in Pennsylvania." • **Larry Gavin** (MA '95) has published *A Fragile Shelter: New and Selected Poems*, his latest collection of his work. He is the author of five volumes of poetry and recently retired after many years of teaching English at Faribault (Minn.) High School.

• **Jonathan Downs** (MA '06) has been named headmaster-elect at Millbrook School in New York. He joined his alma mater in 2010 as the director of admissions and most recently has been serving as assistant headmaster. He and wife **Erin Balak Downs** (MA '14) live on the school campus with children Atticus (7), Aurora (6), and Finley (2). • **Brandon Mollett** (MA '12) is also working at his alma mater, Boys' Latin School of Maryland. After a stint as a journalist, he returned to Boys' Latin in 1994 and has served as an administrator, teacher, and coach, and most recently as the head of the middle school. In July he will begin a job as academic dean of the school and, besides working with leaders across the entire institution, will have responsibility for faculty recruitment, retention, and professional development.

BETTY ASHBURY JONES MA '86 SCHOOL OF FRENCH

At the 102nd Commencement ceremony of Providence College, Sr. **Jane Gerety** (MA '72) will receive an honorary degree. She served as president of Salve Regina Univ. in Newport, R.I., for 10 years and before that was an executive board officer and senior VP for sponsorship with Saint Joseph's Health System. Prior to that, she taught at universities and high schools across the country.

GERMAN SCHOOL

Kathy Stein-Smith ('77, Italian School '78) was recently honored by the French government as a Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes académiques. She is the associate university librarian and director of public services at the Giovatto Library at Fairleigh Dickinson Univ. She has had a lifelong interest in the French language and serves as the chair of the commission of advocacy of the American Assoc. of Teachers of French. She is the author of three books and numerous articles about the foreign language deficit. • Blind since she was a child, **Adrial Bryan** (MA '11) recently earned her PhD in German linguistics from Purdue Univ. and is currently a German lecturer at the university.

MIDDLEBURY INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT MONTEREY

This past fall, **Chelsea Jordan** (MAIEP '16) ran her first 50k ultramarathon. It was the culmination of an eight-month season of the "Becoming Ultra" podcast, which each season features two novice ultrarunners and then follows up as they run the race together. By total coincidence, the other runner was fellow Institute grad **Heather Ficke** (MAIPS '16). Although they studied at the Institute at the same time, they hadn't met until they ran the marathon in Norton, Va., where they came in first and second for the women's 50k! • A professor of education at Teachers College, Columbia Univ., **Michelle Knight-Manuel** (MATESOL '84) has been named the executive editor of the *Teachers College Record*, a monthly peer-reviewed journal of research, analysis, and commentary in the field of education. • **Sarah Bidgood** (MANPTS '16), the director of the Eurasia Nonproliferation Program at the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Institute, recently published an article, "The Bomb in College Classrooms," in *Inside Higher Ed*, which asserts that students aren't being taught enough about weapons of mass destruction.

SCHOOL OF SPANISH

Silvia Alvarez (MA '97), a seasoned communications professional with more than 20 years of experience, was recently elected to the board of directors of Esperança, a Phoenix, Ariz., nonprofit whose mission is to improve health and restore hope both locally and globally. She currently serves as the senior VP, director of corporate communications for First Horizon National Corp., based in Memphis, Tenn. • The Hammonton (N.J.) Public Schools announced their Teachers of the Year for 2019–2020 and **Sarah Manna** (MA '16) was chosen as the Middle School Teacher of the Year. She has been in the district since 2007 and teaches Spanish, and English as a second language.

ClassActs

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If you have news about what you've been up to, please send it to us so we can share with classmates!

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Brandon Mollett returned to his alma mater, Boys' Latin of Maryland, 19 years ago and has served as an administrator, teacher, and coach. Currently he is the head of the middle school but was recently named academic dean, beginning in July. In that role, he will have the chance to work across the entire institution with division heads, department chairs, and other program leaders at the K–12 levels. He will also have responsibility for faculty recruitment, retention, and professional development and will help with the preparation and launch of the school's boarding program in 2021.

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These notes came in before the coronavirus took hold and stay-at-home orders were given. • **Pete** and **Erin Steimle Brooks** are living in Milton, Mass., with their two kids, Nate (9) in fourth grade, and Emilie (5) in kindergarten, and their dog, Cleary (13). Pete has been working for almost 10 years as a high school principal at Lincoln School in Providence, R.I., and Erin just took a new job as the VP of human resources and marketing at TG Gallagher Company in Waltham, Mass. Both Nate and Emilie go to the Glover School in Milton. Nate plays for a club lacrosse team, Laxachusetts, and Emilie does gymnastics and soccer. The Brooks family meets up with **Casey Haire**'s family every summer in Little Compton, R.I., for two weeks of vacation, and Pete and Casey get back to their old tricks. • After pursuing graduate work in geology at Indiana and UIowa and teaching at a variety of colleges for several years (Western Kentucky, Vassar, Univ of Pittsburgh-Johnstown, Gustavus, Salem State), **Elizabeth Goeke** decided to pursue a different path. She attended Boston College's School of Theology and Ministry and earned a Master of Divinity with the aim of moving into hospital chaplaincy. Following BC, she did a yearlong chaplaincy residency at Brigham and Women's Hospital. Since May 2018, she has been at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Brighton, Mass., as a chaplain, and she became the director of spiritual care in June 2018. St. Elizabeth's is the acute care facility of the New England steward hospitals, so she spends a large amount of time in the 28-bed ICU and the Level 3 NICU, as well as between their two behavioral health units and the addictions treatment unit. When not at work, Elizabeth is the lead volunteer for Winchester Girl Scouts, overseeing all of the troops in town, and is the leader for both a Cadette (grades 6–8) and Senior/Ambassador (grades 9–12) troop. She continues to sing both with her local parish choir at St. Eulalia's and with the Schola group at Boston College. • Still living in Jackson, Wyo., **Kristan Clarke Burba**'s business, Rendezvous Events—a boutique public relations events firm—celebrated its 10th year in business at the end of 2019. She and her husband welcomed their second daughter into the family at the very beginning of 2020. They report it has been a great couple of years, and are wishing they could hit pause for just a bit to enjoy this moment. • For the past 11 years, **Ashley Waddell** has been back in her hometown of Fort Collins, Colo. She reports that she and her wife, Christi Brockway (Vassar '89), both work mostly from home, doing philanthropic work for animal advocacy organizations. Their newest project has been to launch a monthly Happy Hour in northern Colorado. They want to see more people in person, engage in actual face-to-face conversations, and build community. So any Midd alumni (whatever the graduation year!) are welcome to reach out to them at BrockwayWaddell@gmail.com and they'll share all the details. • **Tim Hayden** gave up lawyering to go in a direction better suited to his disposition. He now works as an occupational therapist with K–5 students on the autism spectrum and is the dad to two boys. • **Evan** and **Aimee Sanders Freund** report: "Last July, we celebrated our 16th wedding anniversary. (Yes, we are all that old.) After a six-year stint in Mozambique, we returned to Washington, D.C., in 2014 with our two daughters, Harper (11) and India (9). Here, Evan works on freshwater conservation and infrastructure issues for WWF, and Aimee runs Mighty Good, a branding agency for purpose-based organizations and companies that she cofounded in 2017. We spend our free time trying our very best to raise non-city kids in a city—forcing them up hiking trails and down ski slopes any time we can." • **Shauna Hill** writes, "After several years of recovery from cancer and neurosurgery in 2016, I am back in great health and just closed my consulting and training practice to join Planned Parenthood of Northern New England as their first-ever director of behavioral health. Funded by Vermont's Blueprint for Health and Women's Health Initiative, this role is designed to build and implement a trauma-sound, community-responsive model for embedded mental health professionals at PP health centers in Vermont, with plans to expand the model through New Hampshire and Maine over the next several years. This move is a perfect fit for both my passion for building trauma resilience and neuroscience-rooted wellness models in rural and low-income communities, and my politics, which took root during my days as copresident of Chellis House/Feminist Action at Middlebury with **Kate Landis Loewengart**, **Malaya Rivera Drew**, and **Elizabeth Burns Kramer**. My seven-year-old twins and I moved back to Montpelier last summer, where we have been enjoying reconnecting with old friends and the endless outdoor recreation, including my new obsession with SUPing on the local waterways. Would love to connect with anyone coming through the Montpelier/BTV region over a beer/burger/coffee/other hipster foodie item." • **Tom Kabuga** and family are now settled in Nairobi, having moved from the UK. Working in East Africa's private equity sector brings Tom into contact with other Middlebury alums, including Tao Zhou '98 and Okomboli Ong'ong'a '00.

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REUNION CLASS It's hard to believe that 20 years ago, we were graduating from Middlebury. So much has happened in that time! I wish we could all be celebrating together at Reunion. What strange times we're living in! I hope this finds you and your families safe and healthy. I look forward to connecting in person whenever we can. Until then, we still have news to celebrate! • Most recently, **Carrie Williams Howe** became the marketing and communications director for the Rock Point Center, a retreat center on the shores of Lake Champlain in Burlington, Vt. She'll be helping groups to plan everything from business meetings and retreats to family reunions and weddings. Give her a shout if you want to plan an event in a rustic Vermont venue! Rockpointvt.org. • **Dave Philipps** writes, "For five years I've been a national correspondent at the *New York Times*, covering the military. Much of 2019 was spent tracking the saga of Navy Chief Petty Officer Edward Gallagher, who was turned in by his own men for murdering civilians in Iraq, acquitted by a jury of all major charges, then championed by President Trump who blocked the Navy from kicking the chief out of the elite commando force, and overturned all punishment. It's been tough reporting on classified missions involving SEALs who would rather face gunfire than talk to a reporter (literally), but through persistence I can now say I've interviewed more SEAL snipers than I thought I ever would. **Amanda** (**Ayres**) and I live in Colorado Springs. Amanda practices criminal defense. We have two boys who are crazy about skiing and know nothing about New England ice." • Other classmates have been growing their families! Congratulations to **Heather Crofts Boyhan** and husband Chris, who welcomed daughter Boston Rose. Boston joins big brothers Benjamin and Luke. The family lives in Asheville, N.C. • **Abby Dorschel Embow** and husband Jeff welcomed daughter Sage Louise. They live in East Aurora, N.Y., with her big sisters Barrett (almost 3) and Rowan (10), big brother Clay (14), and the world's naughtiest dog, Holly.

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These notes were collected for a January 10 deadline before the coronavirus appeared in full force! • **Ashley Elicker** has started a sailing charter business. She writes, "We chartered in the Caribbean this winter and spring, and will be in southern Maine this summer. Our website is www.biminisailingcharters.com or you can follow us on Instagram or FB at @biminicharters." • **Kari Nygaard** and husband Justin welcomed their second son, Ellis Jeffrey Brown, on December 5. Five-year-old Emerson is delighted by the baby and just loves being the big brother. They live in the Bay Area in California, where they regularly get together with Laura Bloom Fletcher '02 and Robert and Lucy Wickramasinghe Van Horne, both '00.5, and their families. • **Lisa Yamner Green** is launching a new ecommerce company that promises to change the way people shop. After 12+ years at Google, she joined forces with some industry powerhouses to build and launch The Yes. They have spent the last two years building the platform and are finally launching this spring. • **Sam McVey** reports, "I launched my new company, McVey International Group, at the end of August and have been working nonstop traveling back and forth between New York, Colombia, and the Dominican Republic helping to mentor young student-athletes. Stay tuned for the opening of various MIG academies throughout Latin America!" • **Susan Batchelder Kinsky** recently moved to Ann Arbor, Mich., and is interested in connecting with fellow Middlebury alums in the area. • **Ruth Howell** writes, "**Dave Binnig** and I welcomed daughter Elliott 'Ellie' Catharine Binnig to the world in early January and couldn't be more excited for the adventures to come in parenting. We moved to Portland, Ore., in late 2018 and welcome any classmates traveling through to get in touch!" • **Laura Greer** reports, "My husband, Erich Osterberg '99, is a professor studying climate change at Dartmouth College. He was recently seen on PBS news discussing global warming effects on glaciers in Greenland. I'm a pediatrician at a small local hospital. We have two kids enjoying alpine skiing and tennis." • **Meegan Moszynski** writes, "We recently had our first Rocky Mountain Midd-MIIS alumni event of 2020, where we hosted 35 alumni at a local restaurant owned by the husband of Ellie Wendell Reiter '02. It was a fun evening with alumni from both Middlebury College and the Middlebury Institute. Right before that, I spent a whirlwind New Year's Eve with **Bryn Kenny** in New York for a quick 24-hour visit. It was so fun to ring in the New Year with such a dear friend! I also was on campus in October for Homecoming, the Alumni Leadership Conference, and the fall Alumni Association board meeting, where we received updates from school leadership (administration, admissions, athletics, and more) on the latest at Middlebury, Monterey, Bread Loaf, and the Schools Abroad. Middlebury is in a great place and continues to offer such amazing opportunities to its students. I also got convinced to do a Midd Moth talk, which was quite an experience!" • **Jason Lemire** is now in his 10th year teaching drama at St. Anne's Episcopal School. Last fall Jason received statewide recognition as the 2019 Colorado Thespian's K–8 Teacher of the Year. He has now written over 25 original plays and musicals with his middle school students. This summer, he will be returning to Middlebury to visit with the theater department and continue research for his upcoming book, *Better Than Sports: How Student Theater Can Prepare Your Child to Thrive in the 21st Century.* • **Kathleen Francis** writes, "After nine years of living in Portland, Ore., my boyfriend and I bought a house in St. Helens, Ore., in November, complete with a beautiful front and backyard for my basset hound Beatrix! I'm delighted to report that we've said goodbye to the apartment life and freeway commuting for good! It's also closer to my teaching job (and my boyfriend's law firm). Despite holding an MAT in English for middle level, I've been teaching fourth grade for the past four years in Rainier, Ore. Fourth graders are cute but a bit wild. It's never boring!"

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These notes were collected for a January 10 deadline before the coronavirus changed our lives. • **Holly Congdon Menguc** and husband Faruk now own and operate Tup's Crossing Farm, a dairy 20 minutes south of Middlebury in Orwell, Vt. They ship goat milk to Vermont Creamery and sell their chèvre in groceries along the East Coast. Visitors are welcome, and as Holly writes, "We've always got a few groups of adorable kid goats bouncing around, and we love visitors." • **Nick Lesher** says that he and wife Rachel are "keeping our heads on a swivel and hoping the zone defense doesn't collapse under pressure," as they try to keep up with four-year-old daughter Eleanor and two-year-old twins, Graham and Theodore. For those less fluent in math, that's three total children under the ages of four. Nick's work with small-holder farmers, agri-enterprises, and financial institutions looking to better design or manage new products made available through mobile technology has brought him to sub-Saharan Africa and South/Southeast Asia, and he has also been pleased to have opportunities to do some work with renewable technologies. He was very excited to visit the equator in Uganda and watch the draining water reverse directions "in two different locations literally within 20 feet of each other." Back on this side of the globe, he has been pleased to be able to return to Middlebury on two occasions to lecture during J-term (man—wasn't J-term fun?). Nick currently resides in the Washington, D.C., area, where he has been pleased to partake in classmate **Greg Engert**'s continued activity in the bar and restaurant scene, where he is the beer director and partner of the Neighborhood Restaurant Group. According to Nick, "It's a great excuse for other alums to visit the nation's capital and check out one of the concepts Greg and his partners have launched." Your correspondents did some Internet sleuthing and discovered an article featuring Greg in the *Washingtonian*, where he's aiming to improve day-drinking selections in the food hall scene. Go Greg! • The calendar years 2019 and 2020 are major milestones for our class as a whole, since most everyone will be or already has been turning 40 YEARS OLD (unless you were a child prodigy back in '98 and are now just turning 33). Your West Coast alums in San Francisco are no different, as **Morgan Jones** celebrated his 40th last summer with wife **Annie (Nichols)**, **Parkin Kent**, and **Devon Magee** among those in attendance, and then his long-lost cousin **Lee Jones** celebrated a major milestone at Tacolicous in the winter with wife Eliza (Funston) '03 plus classmates **Katharine Wolf**, **Morgan** and **Annie Jones**, **Lauren Cacciapaglia Sargent**, and the "Big Boss" Irene Cedillo, representing her delinquent husband **Parkin Kent**. • The following updates weren't sent in directly, but the magazine office provided them from their news clipping services. However, for anyone who would like to provide mini-reunion details, quick stories, or updates AND control your own narrative, please email middlebury02@gmail.com and let us know how you're doing. • As reported in the *Rutland Herald*, **Elisabeth "Bibba" Walke Kahn**, who teaches Spanish and French at Main Street Middle School in Montpelier, was named Vermont's Teacher of the Year in October 2019! Congratulations, Bibba! • **Jaed Coffin** published his second book, *Roughhouse Friday*, in June 2019. The memoir chronicles the year he spent fighting in a barroom boxing show in Alaska. His essay about fatherhood ("My Father: Out to Sea") ran on the front page of the *NYT* international edition over last Father's Day weekend. He lives in Maine with his family. • According to CardiovascularNews.com, **Sasha Gentling** is now the director of business development and investments at BioSig Technologies Inc. However, her LinkedIn bio says Sasha's current title is director of investor relations. We're not trying to stir things up here and make trouble for CardiovascularNews.com, but we do usually try to rely on two different news sources when confirming an alumni story. • We learned that **Jon Downs** is the headmaster elect at Millbrook School in Millbrook, N.Y. Congratulations! He and wife Erin, who is an associate director of college counseling at Millbrook, live on the campus with their three children. • Once again, send in your updates anytime to middlebury02@gmail.com. Thanks for reading!

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Please let us know what you are up to!

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Is anybody interested in stepping up as a class correspondent? It's a fun way to stay in touch with classmates. You can let us know or contact the alumni editor, Sara Marshall, at smarshal@middlebury.edu.

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REUNION CLASS We're sorry classmates won't be getting together on campus in June for our Reunion. We know many of you were excited for it and had already made plans! We hope everyone is well! Meanwhile, we collected some news before everything changed. • Major updates come from **Tae Hyung Kim**! He got married in 2007, right after graduation, had his first kid in 2013 (she just started primary school), had a second kid in 2018 (he is going to start walking soon), and is living with his family in Shanghai and working in tech. • **Clare O'Reilly Waldmann** relocated to Berlin, Germany, a few years ago, after receiving a Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship to work on marine and coastal policy issues. She currently works as a consultant and project manager for regional cooperation projects dealing with sustainable development topics. Clare is now on maternity leave after the birth of her second child, Miriam. Miriam's big brother, Kai, and the whole Waldmann family encourage Midd Kids to get in touch when passing through Berlin. • **Cara Lovell Arduengo** has settled in Barre, Vt., where she gets to see **Becca Schutz Hohn** and **Devon Parish** often. She has even gotten to see a lot of **Nicha Rakpanichmanee** over the past couple of years while she's been at Vermont Law School. • After 13 years in and out of the D.C. area and many moves, **Chris** and **Erin Doherty Gregg** bought a house in Windham, N.H., and have decided to stay there a while with their two kids, Colby (4) and Bode (1). Let them know if you are in the area! • **Andrea Hamre** is happy to share that she moved with her husband to Bozeman, Mont., at the end of 2019. Andrea began a research associate position with Montana State University's Western Transportation Institute, which focuses on rural, tribal, and public lands. She will be supporting the Mobility and Public Transportation Program and is excited to be working on sustainable transportation at a USDOT University Transportation Center. In addition, presenting at Midd on October 31 as part of the Woodin Colloquium Series was an absolute pleasure and career highlight for Andrea. Her colloquium presentation was on sustainable transportation (titled Turning Tricks into Treats: Behavioral Insights to Deconstruct Common Myths in Transportation Planning and Improve Sustainability Outcomes), and there were students, faculty, staff, and community members in attendance. Andrea will also be giving a guest lecture to a Middlebury environmental studies senior seminar this spring semester on sustainable transportation in rural communities. • **Adam King** recently joined luxury sneaker brand Koio. It's a start-up company that makes the highest quality sneakers in Italy! It's been a blast so far. • **David** and **Anjelika Paranjpe Temple** welcomed Indira Paranjpe Temple into the world in August 2019. Her big sister Anokhi is thrilled to have a protégée. Anjelika is still loving her work as the cofounder and chief creative officer of Brit + Co. and David is thriving in his role as head of content and creators product at Pinterest. Anjelika and David spend tons of time with the Middlebury crew in the Bay Area. • **John** and **Julie Lonoff Schirm** are excited to announce the birth of their first child, Jay (John Charles Schirm VI) on January 11. John still works at Google and Julie is a psychologist in private practice. John and Julie are enjoying life in the Bay Area with their two westies and newest addition. • Faraday founders **Robbie Adler** and **Andy Rossmeissl** kicked off their eighth year with a retreat at the Bread Loaf campus in January. Faraday, headquartered in Burlington, Vt., predicts customer behavior for some of the world's most iconic brands. The company is proud to include John Bowllan '19, Bill Boykin-Morris '02, Riley Dickie '16, Alexis Hughes '17, Sam Klockenkemper '17, Rob Trail '02, Forrest Wallace '17, and Alex Wright '14 among its ranks. Meanwhile, Andy married Sara Blaise Huddleston '09 last March in Grenada, West Indies, surrounded on the beach by family, friends, and classmates. They're currently building a house on Sheep Farm Road in Weybridge. • On September 27, **Nicolas Emery** and wife welcomed Eleanor to the world, joining Leonardo who just turned three. Nicolas is still in Salisbury School's alumni and development department as the associate director of the Salisbury Fund, where Kyle Dudley '09 joined him this year, and he's coaching the varsity basketball team to great acclaim. • **Diego Bivero-Volpe** shared that his luxury brand agency VOLPE keeps growing and he's opening a new restaurant in May in Shoreditch, London. He actually saw **Shafiq Perry** in London. Diego hopes everyone is doing well, and please contact him if you need anything! • You can send your news to middleburyclass2005@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you!

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Duncan Cooper sent in a photo of Midd alums Caroline Bartlett '19, Steve Hickey '04, Brenda Johnson Cronin '87, and himself posing with the Vince Lombardi Trophy last fall at an event at Enel Green Power in Andover, Mass., where they work. The event was held to celebrate Enel North America becoming the official energy partner of Kraft Sports + Entertainment. To kick off the partnership, Enel powered the New England Patriots' home opener with clean energy through renewable energy credits generated from Enel Green Power North America's wind farms. • Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck recently announced that **Jake Whitted** has become a shareholder. He is a member of the real estate dept.

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Lindsey Franklin is a newly minted minister in the United Church of Christ and a recent graduate of Harvard Divinity School. To celebrate, she gathered in Cornwall, Vt., with friends **Carol Guest**, **Caitlin Littlefield**, **Kelly Blynn**, and Jay '06 and **Emily Adler Boren** and son Felix. Lindsey preaches at the Congregational Church of Middlebury a few times each year.

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Please send us your news so we can share it with classmates!

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After many years in D.C., **Rowan Braybrook** recently moved back to her home state of Washington. She's now living in Seattle and working as director of programs for Northwest Natural Resource Group, managing outreach and research for forest stewardship programs in the Pacific Northwest. • **Starrett Berry** recently left a position at Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard and Smith to join an exciting new firm named Yu Mohandesi. YuMo is a litigation firm representing financial institutions and small- to medium-size businesses both in Los Angeles and nationwide. YuMo is a young firm with innovative approaches to the legal field and is striving to be one of the first real "green" firms in how it conducts its business. On a personal note, Starrett finally got around to climbing Mt. Whitney, the tallest mountain in the contiguous 48 states, in one day—26 miles roundtrip and roughly 6,000 feet of elevation gain up to 14,500 feet. He reports that it was such an incredible experience that he is planning on doing it again this year. And now that he has the bug, he's aiming for Denali, Rainier, and Half Dome, too! • *Sports Business Journal* recently announced their 2020 Forty Under 40 class. Congratulations to **Akshay Khanna**, who was named a member of the class. He works for StubHub. The Forty Under 40 awards is an annual celebration of the best young talent in sports business.

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REUNION CLASS We will miss seeing you all this June at Reunion. We hope that you and your loved ones stay healthy at this

time. As you plan your own get-togethers with Midd friends, either via Zoom, phone calls, or magic carpets, please remember to share with us any updates that will help lighten the spirits of classmates. Another way to think of this is that we have five more years to train for our next Reunion—get ready! Meanwhile, we have some news from classmates. • **Will Bellaimey** says, "I am happily settled in Los Angeles with a large community of Middlebury friends. In my eighth year teaching, I am channeling my inner Murray Dry, teaching politics to 12th graders and sometimes doing a Guntram Herb accent when explaining complex geography concepts to my seventh graders. As readers of previous issues of the magazine may know, there is an eight-and-a-half-hour recording of me talking nonstop about all 45 presidents, which has turned into a podcast by Bianca Giaever '12.5. It's called *All the Presidents, Man,* and I'm not sure whether I should actually be encouraging people to listen to it." • **Schuyler Beeman** performed his solo cabaret, *Three Bags Full,* as part of the First Congregational Church of Guilford, Conn.'s, Joyful Noise series on February 9. The show encompasses his love of sheep and his previous career handling animals for theater. After his most recent theater work, which included a world tour with Isabella Rossellini's show, *Link Link Circus,* followed by raising a lamb for a show off-Broadway, Schuyler has now set down roots in his hometown of Guilford with his seven sheep, his dog, Marti, and his own perennial bed design and maintenance company, Lodestar Gardening.
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11 Hello, Class of 2011 and 2011.5—hope you're all doing well! We have a few updates for you: **George Heinrichs** got married to Zarya Faraj on December 15, 2019, in Pioneer Square, Seattle, joined by their family and friends. They are living in Seattle and are happy as clams. George hopes you have found as much joy in life as he has as of late, and if there are any Midd grads who can teach math or physics and are interested in working with him at the Downtown School, please apply! • **Emily Culp** is still teaching sixth grade English in Washington, D.C., at D.C. International School, where she also serves as sixth-grade level lead and designs the advisory curriculum. In the past two years, she has been lucky enough to travel to Puerto Rico, the Azores, Lisbon, Copenhagen, Hong Kong, the Maldives, Cabo, and Croatia. • **Darren Small** recently cofounded and launched his company, Twilight. Named after Alexander L. Twilight, a Middlebury College graduate (1823) who was the first black college graduate in U.S. history, the company is aimed at reducing debt from student loans, credit cards, and poor spending habits and redirecting that money into wealth-building opportunities, such as homeownership. • That's all for now! Reach out to us anytime at midd2011@gmail.com to share updates and photos—we love hearing from you and so do your classmates!
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12 Hello, everyone! Lots of news to catch up on this go-around. Read on to see what some of our classmates are up to and please drop us a note if you have something to share! • **Meghan Mendoza** says, "I moved to Japan shortly after graduating from Middlebury. Recently, I started volunteering for Kawakuji Animal Rescue to help stray/feral cats. In September and October 2019, I worked as a commercial operations deputy/assistant Venue manager for the Rugby World Cup, translating and interpreting between English and Japanese in Sapporo, Fukuoka, and Kumamoto." • **Tik Root**'s article about the world's first commercial octopus farm was published in *Time* magazine in August 2019. The piece was related to an article he wrote on a similar topic published in the spring 2019 issue of this magazine. Congrats, Tik! • **Hillary Aidun** has joined the Sabin Center at Columbia Law School as the 2019–2021 climate law fellow. She is also working on the Renewable Energy Legal Defense Initiative, which the Sabin Center recently launched to provide pro bono legal representation to community groups and local residents who support renewable energy development in their communities, but are facing opposition. She also had the opportunity to attend the 2019 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Madrid, Spain. • **Becca Shaw** has been named as the MIT special assistant to the athletic director/department head. In addition to this new position, she continues to work as an assistant field hockey coach at MIT, and she was recently inducted into the South Burlington (Vt.) High School Athletic Hall of Fame. • **Nick Montello** graduated from the University of Vermont Doctor of Nursing Practice program in May, and passed the family nurse practitioner board exam over the summer. He says, "I started working at Ticonderoga Health Center, a primary care office that is part of the Hudson Headwaters Health Network, in October, and I am loving it!" • **Adrienne Losch** says, "After six years in China, I have moved back to the U.S. and am living in San Francisco at a Mandarin immersion school." • Lastly, congratulations to many of our classmates who got married in 2019. All weddings were attended by large contingents of Middlebury family and friends! To save space in this column, we listed all attendees in the accompanying photos, which will appear in future issues of the magazine. • **Kathryn Nagel** and **Matthew Kingsbury** were married in Valley Forge, Pa., on October 26. • **Jack Maher** and EY Shin '10 were married on June 22 at the Eleanor Cabot Bradley Estate in Canton, Mass. • **Sarah Harney** and Nate Berla-Shulock were married on August 17 in Rehoboth, Mass. • **Barbara Wilkinson** and **Nolan Maier** were married on September 28, near their home in Boston, Mass. The ceremony was officiated by **Sara Cohen** and attended by many other dear Middlebury friends. • **Jason Jan** and Allie Astolfi '11 were married on October 5, in Killington, Vt. It was a lovely fall day and they were surrounded by family and friends from all over.
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13 **Zach Marlette** married Brandi Cawood on September 28, 2019, in Knoxville, Tenn. Zach graduated from UTHSC College of Medicine in Memphis in 2017 and is finishing his residency in internal medicine this June. He will be a primary care doctor in Knoxville. Brandi is a born and raised Knoxvillian and is the project manager for Emerald Housing Management, which manages governmental properties for low-income, underserved citizens of Knoxville.
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14 If you have news you'd like to share, please send it to us!
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15 **REUNION CLASS** We are sorry we won't see you back on campus in June but stay safe and healthy!
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16 **Cheswayo Mphanza** writes, "I am happy to announce that I have won the Sillerman First Book Prize for African Poets. As a result, my debut collection of poems, *The Rinehart Frames,* will be published in 2021 by the Univ. of Nebraska Press. The crux of the book is an attempt to link the Black diasporic community by way of ekphrasis through the juxtaposition of Ralph Ellison's character Rinehart in *Invisible Man* and Abbas Kiarostami's posthumous last film, *24 Frames.* It intersects various histories spanning artists, scholars, and writers from Japan, India, Zambia, Senegal, the DRC, and different islands of the Caribbean. Essentially, the book is concerned with the ontological and epistemological frameworks in which Blackness is seen or not seen."
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17 As **Sophie Robart**'s last semester at Wake Forest University School of Law nears its end, I caught up with her over the phone. "It feels like I just graduated Middlebury," she said.

"It doesn't feel like it's been three years that I've been away. When I actually think about it, I've done a lot!" In a recent interview with Wake, Sophie explains that she worked on the college admission scandal case at the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Massachusetts and at the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section. "I worked on cases of extraterritorial child sexual exploitation, production and distribution of child pornography, and obscenity." The rigor and stamina required by Political Science Professor Murray Dry paid off. Sophie explains that in law school she feels better prepared because she took Professor Dry's constitutional law class. Middlebury allowed her to explore different subject areas, too, which was helpful as she explored law career paths. Sophie is passionate about law and justice and she hopes to return to the DOJ to prosecute child sex crimes. "Middlebury takes care of its own," she said, when I asked what she would say today to the Class of 2017. "Continue that. Follow up with that." Citing the campus's reactions to the coronavirus outbreak, she mentioned the efforts of students, alumni, staff, and professors to help each other out amid the school's sudden closure. The online spreadsheet set up to coordinate resources—housing, storage, transport—is Middlebury fellowship at its finest. No matter the difference in age or career, Sophie hopes we continue to help each other wherever we can. "It's a big step to ask for help. I do hope we continue to help wherever we can even if we've never met."
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18 In the small-world category, when **Charlotte Massey** was hiking on the slopes of Aconcagua, Argentina, she happened to run into another Midd alum, Christopher Haskell '81, who was hiking with a group of men. Charlotte was with three other women and learning about women's empowerment in the mountains as part of her Watson Fellowship.
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19 What has everyone been up to? Send me your news so I can share it with classmates!
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41 **Ruth Packard Jones**, 99, of Shelburne, Vt., on October 19, 2019. A member of Alpha Xi Delta at Middlebury, she moved to Boston after graduation and earned a master's degree from Simmons School of Social Work. Moving to Burlington, Vt., she was a social worker with the Vermont Children's Aid. While raising her children, she was an active volunteer in her community, and while living in Walton, N.Y., served as the waterfront director at the 4-H Camp Shankitunk for 25 years. Predeceased by husband Charles '41, she is survived by children Susan '66, Hope, Martha, Stephen, Matthew, and Kathryn '79, 10 grandchildren, including Elizabeth Monk '05, and seven great-grandchildren.

Adele Marshall Phinney, 99, of Middlebury, Vt., on November 22, 2019. She was a longtime employee of the Addison and Chittenden Trust Companies, retiring in 1980 as a teller supervisor. She enjoyed bowling, golfing, and singing in the Congregational Church choir. Predeceased by husband George "Dud" '37 and son George '68, she is survived by son Bertram '73, daughter-in-law Jane (Belcher) '73, two grandsons, including Brian Phinney '05, and three great-grandchildren. Deceased Middlebury relatives include father Bertram, Class of 1895, sister Frances Ingalls '44, and brother John '50.

44 **Elizabeth Ring Hennefrund**, 98, of Woodbury, Conn., on October 19, 2019. A member of Delta Delta Delta, she studied fiction writing at NYU and poetry at the New School. She worked as a press representative for CBS in New York, published several short stories and poems, then taught English at the Brearly School for 10 years. After a move to Washington, D.C., she became a writer and editor for *Ranger Rick's Nature Magazine.* Subsequently, she wrote many nature books for children, a series about dogs and their capabilities, and poetry and articles. She earned several awards for her works and would often visit schools to talk about her books. Predeceased by husband Bill '42, she is survived by daughters Joan and Kristin, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

46 **Barbara Snow Cassedy**, 95, of Oakwood, Ohio, on November 15, 2019. A member of Phi Mu, she earned a master's in French at Middlebury in 1949. She lived in many places around the world and taught French, Spanish, and English. She later studied for a library degree at the Univ. of Maryland and worked for three federal libraries before joining the Army and Navy Club in D.C. as the club librarian. Predeceased by former husband James '41, she is survived by daughters Karen '79 and Laura '82. Middlebury relatives include niece Nena Cassedy '76.

Gertrude Hayward Schmitt, 93, of Peru, N.Y., on November 6, 2019. For eight years she worked for a CPA firm in NYC. While raising her children, she was a homemaker then joined the local school system when her youngest was in kindergarten. Predeceased by husband Albert, she is survived by children Frank, Holley, and Craig, seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

48 **Edith Titus Harman**, 92, of Issaquah, Wash., on October 30, 2019. A member of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Middlebury, she earned a paraprofessional certificate in social work from NYU and earned an MEd in guidance and counseling from UVM. She worked for six years as a guidance counselor in the schools around Middlebury, Vt., then joined the staff at the House of Seven Gables Settlement Assoc. in Salem, Mass., first as the director of the Settlement House, then as executive director of the association. She retired in 1994 but continued as a trustee of the association for many years. Predeceased by husband Mortimer '47, she is survived by children Scott '72, Kent, and Sue, six grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Daughter Pam died in January 2020.

Eleanor Barker Prescott, 93, of Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, on December 27, 2019. She served as the secretary/treasurer of the family business, Prescott and Company. In her words, her career was very important as a homemaker and mother as her children were growing up. She loved to learn and educate, often with articles from *Reader's Digest.* She played the Hammond organ, did jigsaw puzzles, and loved attending Middlebury events, especially Alumni College. She treasured her time at Middlebury and stayed close to Middlebury friends. Predeceased by husband Kyle '49, she is survived by children David '73, Peter '76, and Kyle Anne '77, six grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

49 **Virginia Dunn Beach**, 88, of Quarryville, Pa., on March 28, 2016. While raising her daughters, she was an active volunteer. She then worked as a librarian at the Gilbertsville (N.Y.) Central School for 18 years. Moving to Quarryville Presbyterian Retirement Community, she continued her work as a librarian. Predeceased by husband Roger '48 and daughter Katharine, she is survived by daughters Deborah, Sarah, Martha, and Susan, 20 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. Deceased Middlebury relatives include niece Emily Dunn '90.

Edward T. Hutchinson, 94, of Queensbury, N.Y., on October 29, 2019. During WWII, he served in the Army in the 10th Mountain Division. At Middlebury, he was a member of Sigma Epsilon and earned his bachelor's and master's in organic chemistry. He began his career in the chemicals industry at DuPont then joined Imperial Paper and Color Corp., which was purchased by Hercules Chemical then Ciba-Geigy. He retired in 1988 and found a second career delivering

the *Chronicle* throughout the North Country of New York. Predeceased by wife Jane (Eddy), he is survived by daughters Bonnie and Betsy, two grandchildren, and one stepgrandson.

50 **Bernard Cohen**, 90, of New York, N.Y., on November 27, 2019. A member of Alpha Sigma Psi, he attended medical school at NYU. After a neurology residency and two years in the Army, he combined brain research with patient care in neurology and teaching. He spent his entire career as a physician and a scientist at Mount Sinai Hospital in NYC and was the Morris B. Bender Professor of Neurology at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine until his retirement. He was internationally known for his research on the brain and vestibular system and in 1999, Middlebury honored him with the Alumni Achievement Award. Predeceased by wife Phoebe (Freeman), he is survived by children Margaret, Alexander, and Nathaniel, and six grandchildren. Deceased Middlebury relatives include father Samuel Cohen, Class of 1920, and uncle William Cohen, Class of 1921.

51 **Paul E. Cochrane**, 90, of Fitchburg, Mass., on December 25, 2019. A member of Theta Chi, he earned his medical degree at Tufts Univ. In 1958 he opened his family practice in Fitchburg and retired in 2000. He was also the sports medicine physician at Fitchburg High School for 50 years. He served on many professional boards and held a teaching position as an assistant professor of community and family medicine at the UMass Medical School and was also a visiting lecturer on sports medicine at Fitchburg State College. In 1997 he was named the Family Physician of the Year by the Massachusetts Medical Society and he was inducted into the Fitchburg High School Hall of Fame in its first class of inductees. He is survived by wife Judith (Buck), son Lee '75, daughters Pamela and Kim '83, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Chester E. Nightingale, 92, of Lynnfield, Mass., on November 20, 2019. During WWII, he served in the Navy. A member of Chi Psi, he earned his master's in industrial management at Boston Univ. in 1956. He had a long career in the printing and publishing industry, working for Forbes Lithograph Manufacturing Co., Fine Impressions, and George H. Dean Co. before joining Nimrod Press, where he worked many years as production manager and manufacturing VP. He is survived by wife Peggy (Golding), children Ellen, Alison, David, Janet, and Mark, 14 grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

53 **Robert C. Kelly**, 89, formerly of Shelburne, Vt., on October 24, 2019. A Chi Psi at Middlebury, he received his commission in the Navy upon graduating from Officer Candidate School in Newport, R.I., and served on active duty from 1953 to 1957. He continued in the Navy Reserve until 1962 and retired as a lieutenant. Earning a master's and certified public accountant certificate from UVM in 1962, he cofounded the CPA firm of Thompson and Kelly. He later cofounded Kelly, Jacobs, and Associates, eventually selling his interest in 1987 and investing in a mail-order business, Bridge Building Images. He sold the business to his son and a friend in 2000. Predeceased by son Robert, he is survived by wife Diana (Peck), sons Bruce, Andrew, and Scott, and one granddaughter. Deceased Middlebury relatives include father Byron, Class of 1922, and aunt Bertha Kelly Waite, Class of 1923.

Nancy Peck Royce, 87, of Ripon, Wis., on November 3, 2019. She was a member of Pi Beta Phi at Middlebury. While living in the San Fernando Valley, Calif., she worked as a bilingual secretary at the French Consulate. Moving to Ripon, she was an elementary school aide and was director of the Reader/Listener Program in the elementary schools. For several years she tutored French to middle and high school students and occasionally Ripon College students. Predeceased by husband Robert '53 and son Jamie, she is survived by son Jon, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Middlebury relatives include great-niece Charlotte Cahillane '19.

Louise Limbach Spangler, 88, of Los Altos, Calif., on November 19, 2019. A Kappa Kappa Gamma, she was a tireless volunteer while raising her children. She then worked for Nature Expeditions International before spending 10 years at Houghton Mifflin in the college textbooks division. She realized a personal dream in 1989 when she bought Uncommon Threads yarn shop and ran it for 20 years. Preceded in death by husband Denny, she is survived by daughters Anne, Betsy, Amy '83, and Sarah, nine grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter. Middlebury relatives include brothers Karl '54 (deceased) and George '55.

54 **Jeremy B. Foss**, 87, of Cape Neddick, Maine, on October 20, 2019. A member of Chi Psi at Middlebury, he served in the Navy from 1955 to 1965 then was a journalist for the *Washington Star.* Earning his MFA at the Ruskin School of Art at Oxford Univ. in England, he was a professor of painting and drawing for over 30 years at the Massachusetts College of Art. His paintings were reviewed in *Art in America* and exhibited in galleries in NYC and Boston. He is survived by daughters Penelope and Jennifer, and three grandchildren.

Karol Baldwin Teiko, 86, of Portola Valley, Calif., on December 18, 2019. After graduation, she had a 10-year career in biomedical research, which included jobs in labs in the private sector as well as with government labs at NIH and FDA. Switching careers, she returned to her lifelong love of music and auditioned for the women's chorus at the Metropolitan Opera and sang with them for 23 years. She also was chosen to sing various solo parts. Later in life, she developed a passion for ballroom dancing. Predeceased by husband Jesse and son Jay, she is survived by daughters Gretchen, Erika, and Karin, and four grandchildren.

55 **Edward G. Thomson**, 86, of New York, N.Y., on December 22, 2019. A member of Alpha Sigma Psi, he earned his law degree at Cornell Univ. and engaged in private practice in Ithaca, N.Y. After working for Continental Bank in Chicago, he spent over two decades working as general counsel for corporate philanthropy with the Council on Foundations and the Foundation Center. He also served many years as a volunteer for the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Predeceased by son Richard, he is survived by children Karen, Lauren, and Scott, and seven grandchildren, as well as longtime companion June Downey.

Peter F. Wegmann, 86, of Hartland, Wis., on October 27, 2019. A Chi Psi at Middlebury, he earned his degree in business administration from Marquette Univ. in 1956. After spending two years in the Marine Corps as an officer, he worked many years in the finance world at Ernst & Ernst and Will Ross Inc., as a partner with investment banker Robert W. Baird, and as president at American Bankshares Corp. He then founded Wegmann Wines, an importing and wholesale company, and owned Stewart Chase Co. He is survived by wife Barbara (Ott), children Kathryn, Peter, Mary, David, Shelley, and Michael, 18 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

56 **Tomas G. Feininger**, 84, of Quebec City, Quebec, Canada, on November 26, 2019. He began his career as a geologist working a short time for Texaco, then joined the U.S. Geological Survey, working in New England and in Colombia and earning his Master of Science and PhD from Brown Univ. Leaving the USGS, he worked in Ecuador, where he founded the Dept. of Geology at the National Polytechnic School and pursued research and mapping in the Andes. Moving to Quebec City, he became a researcher in the Dept. of Geology and Geological Engineering at Université Laval, where he later worked as an adjunct professor. He participated in geological mapping in territories in South and North America, notably in Quebec. He is survived by wife Johanne Piché, daughters Anna, Erica, and Ingrid, and six grandchildren.

Carole Stevens Groselle, 84, of Columbus, Ohio, on November 15, 2019. A member of Theta Chi Omega, she loved volunteering and made a career out of professional volunteer management. She worked at CALLVAC and United Way, directed the volunteer services for the city of Columbus, and was a partner in Special Project Management, a partnership of three

The following is a list of deaths reported to us since the previous issue went to the printers. Full obituaries will appear in future issues of the magazine.

Howard L. Hasbrouck '41 . . . . . January 19, 2020
Elizabeth Wolfington Hubbard-Ovens '41 . January 2, 2020
Dumont Rush '43 . . . . . January 15, 2020
Elizabeth Broadbent Brown '44 . . . . . January 1, 2020
Marion Berenson Thorne '45 . . . . . February 27, 2019
Jessie Woodwell Bush '45 . . . . . January 5, 2020
Barbara Verdicchio Britten '47 . . . . . February 28, 2020
Jeannette Cunningham Kidd '47 . . . . . January 13, 2020
Muriel Mack Lamppert '47 . . . . . January 23, 2020
Richard C. Wolff '48 . . . . . February 27, 2020
Dale Moreau Killinger '49 . . . . . February 2, 2020
Joseph E. Borst '51 . . . . . March 31, 2020
Lois White Skillings '51 . . . . . February 6, 2020
Nancy L. Young '51 . . . . . March 31, 2020
Edward D. Kaplan '52 . . . . . January 19, 2020
Ann Prescott McKendry '52 . . . . . February 12, 2020
Peter L. Clarke '53 . . . . . March 19, 2020
Robert L. Muller '53 . . . . . February 19, 2020
Wendell F. Smith Jr. '53 . . . . . January 26, 2020
Elinor Osborn Gartner '54 . . . . . January 7, 2020
Ann Towle Dolbashian '55 . . . . . January 3, 2020
John L. MacGowan '55 . . . . . February 7, 2020
Frank E. Punderson Jr. '55 . . . . . January 3, 2020
Andrew Sigourney '55 . . . . . January 10, 2020
Cyrus P. Anfindsen '56 . . . . . February 28, 2020
Hugh H. van Zelm '56 . . . . . March 1, 2020
Virginia Baker Hansen '57 . . . . . January 9, 2020
Harry M. Oram '57 . . . . . January 25, 2020
D. David Douglass '58 . . . . . March 12, 2020
Charles B. Gilbert Jr. '58 . . . . . January 7, 2020
Sally J. MacCracken '58 . . . . . January 17, 2020
Alexander M. Jeffrey '59 . . . . . February 17, 2020
George M. Camp '60 . . . . . March 30, 2020
John B. MacDonald '60 . . . . . January 16, 2020
Douglas W. Brandrup '63 . . . . . January 31, 2020
Michael E. Mone '64 . . . . . March 30, 2020
Kenneth A. Kirchhofer '66 . . . . . January 5, 2020
William O. Ormsbee '66 . . . . . September 15, 2016
Reto W. Morosani '67 . . . . . January 5, 2020
Douglas K. Ashby '69 . . . . . March 9, 2020
Alison Taurel '70 . . . . . October 18, 2015
Glenn C. Krug '71 . . . . . June 26, 2012
John F. Dale '80 . . . . . January 8, 2020
Carrie Markgraf Blum '82 . . . . . January 2, 2020
Lori Hess Evangel '84 . . . . . January 20, 2020
Amanuel Abate '90 . . . . . March 20, 2020
Erin E. Craig '19 . . . . . February 16, 2020

GRADUATE SCHOOLS

Duane A. Paluska, MA English '65 . . . January 28, 2020
Garfield P. Mullins, MA English '75 . . . . January 15, 2020
Francis Assisi Kennedy, MLitt English '85 February 4, 2020
Ellen L. Pearson, MLitt English '98 . . . . January 11, 2020
Joyce Carleton, MA French '51 . . . . . January 19, 2020
Sylvia Marksfield, MA French '65 . . . . . March 8, 2020
Claire Y. Poirier, MA French '68 . . . . . February 21, 2020
Laurel Rutkaus Abusamra, MA French '70 . March 5, 2020
Nancy Ricketts Barnett, MA French '72 . February 27, 2020
Edward M. Grotkowski, MA French '79 . . January 18, 2020
John J. Cleary, DML Russian '98 . . . . . January 31, 2020
George L. French, MA Spanish '61 . . . January 26, 2020
James A. Cummins, MA Spanish '62 . . . January 29, 2020
Joseph A. Roseman III, MA Spanish '74 November 1, 2019
Elena Grinstein Guigui, MA Spanish '77 . January 6, 2020
Cynthia Mares de Sanchez, MA Spanish '82 . . . . . February 8, 2020
Valeska Ostrowski Van Vliet, MIIS, BA French Studies '80, MAICC '82 December 28, 2019
Rex Titus, MIIS, MA Education '81 . . . . February 8, 2019
Karen M. Lundberg, MIIS, MA Linguistics '77 . . . . . January 6, 2020
James A. Franks, MIIS, MA Political Science '73 . . . . . February 23, 2020
Lisa Owens-Davis, MIIS, MAIPS '94 . . February 26, 2020

women whose focus was on planning and coordinating special events, activities, and projects for agencies and businesses. She is survived by children Alice, Maggie, John, and Susie, and 10 grandchildren.

Katharine Leetch Roedel, 84, of Wilton, N.H., on October 22, 2019. She taught second and fourth grades for nine years in Fairfield, Conn., Spring Valley, N.Y., and Chelmsford, Mass. Moving to Wilton, she managed the Riverview Mill for more than 30 years. She is survived by husband Fred, children Fred, Jennifer, Susan, and David, and six grandchildren.

57 **Susan Tisdell Maynard**, 83, of Miami, Fla., and Marblehead, Mass., on November 8, 2019. A member of Delta Delta Delta at Middlebury, she earned an MEd from Salem State College, a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study from BU, becoming certified to be a school psychologist, and a PhD from Columbia Univ. Over her career, she was a teacher, school psychologist, and marriage and family therapist, guiding children and adults through educational and life circumstances. She also cofounded Psycho Educational Assessment Consultants, an assessment and counseling business. She is survived by her husband of 57 years, Carl, along with many wonderful friends and family members.

Ronald K. Ohslund, 84, of Bloomington, Ind., on November 22, 2019. A Theta Chi at Middlebury, he joined the Navy in 1954, earned a medical degree from the Univ. of Virginia in 1961, and became a flight surgeon and captain in the Navy. In 1968 he earned an MPH at the Univ. of California. He spent 30 years in the Navy and finished his career as the commanding officer of the Naval Aerospace Medical Institute in Pensacola, Fla. He was also president of the Aerospace Medical Assoc. and of the NASA Aerospace Naval Flight Surgeon Assoc. He is survived by wife Cindy and his family.

Susan V. Powers, 84, of Stoughton, Mass., on November 15, 2019. She received her BA from the Univ. of California, Berkeley, and a master's from Bank Street College. She was a scientist and schoolteacher before earning her PsyD in psychology from the Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology. For many years, she ran a private counseling practice in Sharon, Mass. Predeceased by longtime partner Stanley Geschwind, she is survived by sister Martha and brother Steven.

Carol Van Duyn Terhune, 84, of Norwalk, Conn., on November 18, 2019. A member of Theta Chi Omega, she was an active volunteer in her community while raising her children. In the 1970s, she worked at Mather Junior High School and the Katherine Gibbs School before becoming the registrar for the residency program in the Dept. of Internal Medicine at Yale-affiliated Norwalk Hospital, where she worked from the early 1980s until her retirement. Predeceased by husband Phillips '56, she is survived by children Elizabeth and James '86, and four grandchildren, including John Terhune '17.

58 **Robert J. Batal**, 84, of Fairfax, Va., on November 10, 2019. A Sigma Epsilon member, he served with the Army Medical Corps then worked as a realtor. In 1968 he began his own business, Batal Builders, and built single-family homes and townhouses throughout Northern Virginia. Predeceased by wife Sandy (Yeomans) '59, he is survived by children John, Rob, Jeannie '86, and Katie '91, and eight grandchildren. Middlebury relatives include in-laws Jean Yeomans Lamson '62 and Donald Yeomans '64, and nephew James Lamson '93.

Miriam Packard Brown, 83, of Lake George, N.Y., on October 18, 2019. A member of Pi Beta Phi at Middlebury, she was an active volunteer, supporting Family Service of Glens Falls, the Hyde Museum, Garden Club, Glens Falls Hospital Guild, and other organizations. Predeceased by husband Andrew '59, son Phillip, and daughter Caroline, she is survived by daughters Martha and Leslie, and two grandchildren. Deceased Middlebury relatives include mother Ruth Tupper Packard '27.

Carl Scheer, 82, of Charlotte, N.C., on December 13, 2019. He was a member of Sigma Epsilon at Middlebury. After earning his law degree from Miami Univ., he practiced law in Greensboro, N.C. In 1968, he began his

pro sports career as administrative assistant to NBA Commissioner Walter Kennedy. In 1970, he became president and general manager of the Carolina Cougars basketball team and continued to hold leadership roles at several teams, including the Denver Nuggets, Los Angeles Clippers, and Charlotte Hornets. He founded ScheerSports, a sports marketing company, in the early 1990s. He is best remembered as the creator of the All-Star Game's "Slam-Dunk Contest." He is survived by wife Marsha (Krieger), son Bob, daughter Lauren, and extended family.

59 **John D. Howick**, 81, of Montreal, Quebec, Canada, on December 11, 2019. After earning a master's from the Bread Loaf School of English in 1961, he worked for McGraw Hill Book Co. Returning to Montreal, he joined Big Blue Jeans Co., where he became president and worked for more than 30 years. Passionate about farming, he bought Plum Tree Farm in 1970 and spent his free time there. He is survived by wife Lilian, daughters Andrea and Julie, and four grandchildren.

60 **Paul W. Lewis**, 81, of Rochester, N.Y., on October 31, 2019. After earning his MBA at the Univ. of Chicago, he had a career in finance, working as a financial advisor at Citibank in NYC, as chief financial advisor and VP for investments at the Univ. of Rochester, as well as a financial advisor at Chase Lincoln Bank, and most recently at Cobblestone Capital Advisors. He is survived by wife Sandra, sons Evan and Scott, stepchildren Amy, Sue, and Todd, and seven grandchildren.

Roberta Sperry Schweiger, 81, of Denver, Colo., on November 27, 2019. A member of Theta Chi Omega, she earned her MSW from Case Western Univ. and worked three years in Ohio in a family and children's service agency. Moving to Denver, she worked six years as a school social worker. While raising her daughters, she was an active volunteer and returned to the school system as a paraprofessional and computer lab manager. Predeceased by husband Ben, she is survived by daughters Katie, Christy, and Beth and her loving grandchildren.

61 **Tenison W. L. Newsom Jr.**, 81, of West Hartford, Conn., on November 1, 2019. A Chi Psi at Middlebury, he began his banking career in the training dept. of Hartford National Bank. He then moved to NYC to pursue investment banking, first at Hayden Stone and then for 28 years at Lehman Brothers. He is survived by sister Patricia, stepdaughter Martha Stabler '87, and two step-grandchildren, Emily '19 and Timothy Stabler.

62 **Judith Wilber Echols**, 78, formerly of Phoenix, Ariz., on February 18, 2019. A member of Delta Delta Delta, she lived in many different places as the wife of a minister. She worked as a program director at the YWCA in Duluth, Minn., and as the director of the Volunteers Foundation in the Osborn School District in Phoenix. She is survived by husband Charles, sons Thomas, Fred, and James, and nine grandchildren.

64 **Edith Carlson Reese**, 77, of Roanoke, Va., on October 28, 2019. A Pi Beta Phi at Middlebury, she earned her BA in Soviet area studies from Barnard College and a master's in economic geography from Johns Hopkins Univ., where she specialized in location theory, especially retail and industrial park location. She had a 15-year career in economic land use consulting then did extensive volunteering with refugees and church ministries. She is survived by husband Ron '64, children Daniel and Anna-Loren, and two grandchildren.

65 **Nancy C. Smith**, 76, of Johns Island, S.C., on November 12, 2019. A member of Delta Delta Delta, she began her career in finance in the training program at the Old Colony Trust Co. in Boston. In 1967 she moved to NYC to work at the UK Merchant Bank. From 1971 to 1975, while working full time, she earned her MBA at Temple Univ. and her CFA designation. She then worked 13 years at Provident/PNC in Philadelphia before joining Glenmede, where she served in five different capacities over 25 years before retiring as first VP in 2009. She and husband John had one son, Lane.

66 **Judith Rasmussen Brown**, 75, of Rochester, N.Y., on December 15, 2019. She attended Brown Univ. and Utica College as well as Middlebury. She earned a master's from Syracuse Univ. She taught high school social studies for many years in Boonville and Camden, N.Y. She is survived by husband Jerome, children Erik, Alec, Christopher, Amy, and Hillary, and 10 grandchildren.

67 **Jennie H. Jerome**, 74, of Bennington, Vt., on November 8, 2019. After earning her law degree from Florida State Univ., she worked as a public defender in Florida in the juvenile division and then the serious felony division. Moving to St. John in the Virgin Islands, she worked in real estate then in law, eventually as an assistant attorney general on St. Thomas. She also assisted the federal team that outlined the coastline for the protection and expansion of National Park waters and was instrumental in setting up the Friends of the Park. Returning to the States, she earned her master's in environmental law at Vermont School of Law, practiced law on Nantucket Island, Mass., and worked with nonprofit groups on climate change issues. She is survived by daughter Sarah Farnsworth and son Will Waugh, and three grandchildren.

72 **Margaret W. Hall**, 68, of Cedar Mountain, N.C., on May 15, 2018. After working for Head Start for three years, she entered the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Mass., and earned her Master of Divinity in 1980. She then did social service work in various counseling settings for several years. She later began to study computer programming and worked in the information systems dept. at Wellesley College. Moving to North Carolina, she was very involved in the Unitarian Universalists of Transylvania County, where she served as president. She is survived by her partner of 34 years, Geraldine Azzata, and brothers Daniel and David and their families.

David H. Tier, 69, of Middlebury, Vt., on October 31, 2019. He was the longtime owner and ace mechanic of the Bike Center in downtown Middlebury. A social activist, he participated in many demonstrations over the years, from protesting the Seabrook nuclear power plant to the march on Montpelier for climate justice. He enjoyed racing with the Green Mountain Bike Club. Predeceased by sister Mary Ann Oxford, he is survived by brother Ben, nieces and nephews, longtime partner Donna Belcher, and stepson Jeremy.

73 **Mansfield W. Williams**, 69, of Asheville, N.C., on November 16, 2019. A member of Sigma Epsilon, he earned an MS in forestry from UVM in 1979 and a PhD in genetic forestry from Penn State Univ. in 1984. He worked for the Forest Service in Vermont as a researcher and forester before relocating to Florida and earning an MBA from Florida-Atlantic Univ. in 1990. He worked in real estate, property management, and teaching statistics at the college level. Receiving a diagnosis of pancreatic cancer in 2019, he traveled to Arizona in order to see the Grand Canyon and died in Flagstaff.

78 **Jonathan N. Ratila**, 63, of Fitchburg, Mass., on November 28, 2019. He worked as the business manager at the Finnish American newspaper, *Raivaaja*, from 1984 until its last publication in 2009 and took pride in running its bookstore and its book table at summer festivals. He also contributed articles to the newspaper. His other employment included part-time work at Sulin Orchard in Fitchburg and part-time work as a curator at the Finnish Cultural Center at Fitchburg State College. He also researched and archived Finnish American materials given to him by organizations and individuals. He is survived by sister Ann.

81 **James T. Healy**, 60, of Santa Cruz, Calif., on October 19, 2019. After earning graduate certification in business and French at the Univ. of Geneva, Switzerland, he worked as a research analyst at Hewlett-Packard in Geneva. In 1988, he transferred with HP to San Francisco, worked for Apple Computer, and in 1994, went to work for Anderson and

Lembke as a senior account planner. In 2000, he and a partner opened HealyWilcox Marketing Group, where he worked until retiring in 2018. Predeceased by father James, he is survived by mother Mary, eight siblings, Leila Smith, and many nieces and nephews.

83 **William P. Jacobus**, 58, of Seattle, Wash., on December 3, 2019. After graduation, he worked at the World Without War Council in Chicago and at the United Nations Assoc. Earning a master's in teaching from Seattle Univ., he taught American government and ancient and medieval history at Thomas Academy. He also worked for the Social Security Administration. He is survived by daughter Ellen, parents David and Claire, and siblings Marget, Hughie, Laura, and John, and their families. Middlebury relatives include nephew Gordon Hildick-Smith '11.

84 **Eric J. Bergwall**, 58, of Darien, Conn., on December 13, 2019. With an MBA from Amos Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, he had a long career in real estate, working as a managing director for Allianz Real Estate of America, ORIX Capital Markets, GE Capital, and ING Realty Partners. Most recently he was managing director at Clarion Partners. He is survived by wife Donna (Goldmann), daughter Emily, and twin sons Matthew and Christopher.

20 **William G. Nash**, 21, of San Anselmo, Calif., on March 7, 2020. An economics major at Middlebury, he was a passionate entrepreneur who interned at ResellerRatings, a ratings and review platform, in summer 2018 and at Protiviti, a global management consulting firm, in summer 2019. In November 2019, with a friend, he started Semiaquatics, selling sustainably sourced luxury streetwear. During his time at Middlebury, he also participated on the track and field team as a pole vaulter. He is survived by parents Kristin and Lenny, twin brother Drew, and sister Cate.

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Millicent Chandler Coursey, 92, of Nebo, N.C., on December 23, 2019. She joined the staff at Middlebury in 1970 as a housekeeper for Hepburn Hall and retired after 22 years in the role of maintenance supervisor. She was a life member of VFW Post 7823, where she was a leader of the marching unit until age 90. Predeceased by husband Kenneth and sons Michael and Corky, she is survived by daughters Barbara, Teena, Melody, Dawn, and Lauren, and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Nancy Hutchins Hazen, 94, of Shelburne, Vt., on December 12, 2019. She worked at the College as a secretary for 15 years and often typed up students' theses and final reports. She then worked at UVM for many years. She volunteered tirelessly for Red Cross blood drives and was a member of the Vermont Order of the Eastern Star and Altrusa. Predeceased by husband Arlington, she is survived by children Holly, Jean, Arlington, and Allison, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Gail Bonner Jette, 83, of Middlebury, Vt., on January 13, 2020. She was a longtime physical education teacher at Middlebury Union High School, where she coached field hockey and tennis. She began the field hockey program in the 1960s and her teams were Vermont State Division I champions eight times. Her women's tennis teams were the Vermont State Champions four times. In 2007, she was inducted into the Vermont Principals Assoc. Hall of Fame and she was also inducted into the Northeast Women's Hall of Fame for advancing the role of women in sports. She also served as a ski instructor at the College Snow Bowl for over 35 years. Predeceased by husband Jim, she is survived by life partner Charles Martin, son Peter and wife Victoria (Wilde) '94, daughter Brooke and husband Patrick Berry '91, and five grandchildren.

Robert J. Pekor, 60, of Ligonier, Pa., on February 15, 2020. He began his job at Middlebury in 2005 as a senior programmer and analyst. A full-stack developer, he was instrumental in working on complex systems challenges. He supported numerous departments and projects over the years with the highest level of professionalism, skill, and dedication. He lent his expertise over the past 18 months to the ongoing Oracle implementation by the Green Mountain Consortium. He is survived by wife Joanne (Andrejco) and sons Zachary and Adam.

GRADUATE SCHOOLS

48 **Milton D. Emont**, 94, MA French, of Haverford, Pa., on January 21, 2018. During WWII he served in the U.S. Signal Corps in Europe. He joined the Modern Languages Dept. at Denison Univ. in 1954 and taught French language and literature until retiring as professor emeritus of modern languages in 1988.

57 **Amelia E. Leconte**, 88, MA French, of Laconia, N.H., on November 29, 2019. She had a long career in the Foreign Language Dept. at Barnstable High School in Hyannis, Mass. Early in her tenure she took a sabbatical to Morocco, where she was the first woman to teach English to French-speaking Moroccans.

62 **Judith Miller Berger,** 82, MA German, of Huntingdon, Pa., on October 31, 2019. She was a lifelong educator and taught middle school math and science in Detroit, as well as German to U.S. Air Force officers in Berlin while living there with her family.

63 Sr. **Mary Irene Geisheimer**, 95, MA German, of Philadelphia, Pa., on December 8, 2019. She entered the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth in Philadelphia in 1941 and professed her final vows in Rome, Italy, in 1950. She spent most of her 50 years in education teaching German and English at Nazareth Academy High School.

65 **Anne Abernathy Wade**, 79, MA Spanish, of Nashville, Tenn., on December 3, 2019. She taught languages and ESL throughout her career, primarily in Nashville metropolitan schools and at Lane College. Her passion for music led her to open Crow's Nest Studio, which recorded diverse genres.

67 **Robert S. Ballantyne**, 78, MA Spanish, of San Antonio, Texas, on December 11, 2019. With a master's in international business, he worked for the Kelley-Springfield Tire Co. in Beirut, Lebanon, and Johannesburg, South Africa, and for the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co. in the Middle East. He then taught Spanish at the Gunnery and Kimball Union Academy for 12 years.

Margaret W. Freeman, 96, MA English, of Brunswick, Maine, on December 24, 2019. She began her academic teaching career at Allegheny College, where she taught English literature, and then taught at the College of William and Mary until her retirement in 1989. She was also a senior fellow at Robinson College, Cambridge Univ. in England.

71 **John B. Brillhart**, 88, MA English, of Bradenton, Fla., on December 20, 2019. Joining the Navy, he served eight years as a radarman on the US *Salem,* including during the Korean War. He taught English at Watertown (N.Y.) High School and, later in life, joined the Peace Corps and taught English to medical students at Sichuan Normal Univ. in China.

72 **Thomas H. Moore III**, 78, MA Spanish, of Bingham, Maine, on October 12, 2019. He taught foreign languages in high schools in Pennsylvania and Maine, ending his career at Upper Kennebec Valley High School in Bingham.

75 **Mary L. Cofrancesco**, 70, MA Spanish, of West Haven, Conn., on October 9, 2019. She was a Spanish and Latin teacher for 32 years at Nonnewaug High School in Woodbury, Conn.

Corina Rodriguez-Capote, 86, MA Spanish, of Steubenville, Ohio, on July 23, 2013. Born and raised in Havana, Cuba, she fled Cuba in 1962 and became an American citizen in 1970. She was an assistant professor of Spanish at the Franciscan Univ. of Steubenville.